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The Mother's Good-Night.

Good-night, my precious darling,
  Now close your eyes to sleep,
And God will send his angels
  A watch o'er you to keep.
He helps all those who love him
  By night as well as day,
He keeps them from all evil,
  And gently smooths their way.

How sweet to feel he loves us,
  To think he guards us well,
And that he soon will take us
  Above with him to dwell.
Now close your eyes, my darling,
  And sweetly fall asleep,
Remembering that God's angels
  A watch o'er youwill keep.

INTRODUCTION.

BY REV. N. SUMMERBELL, D. D.

The CHRISTIANS believe———

In the Bible as making a man perfect for all good works.

In Jesus Christ, the Son of the living God.

In the Holy Spirit of God, the Reprover and Comforter.

In the New Birth, the forgiveness of sins and life everlasting.

In Salvation through the blood of Jesus.

In repentance, conversion, confession, prayer, baptism, communion, holiness and good works.

In all that Jesus taught, the Apostles preached, the first Christians believed, or is believed in Heaven.

Christians think that more of God's children in the world are of their faith than any other and that it is the only faith generally believed, or that ever can be.

That they are most orthodox, most evangelical and biblical, most catholic and liberal.

Their name is most general, their creed (the Bible) most acceptable, that God is the Father of all in every age.

They first restored the Christian name, started the first religious newspaper, opened the first college with equal privileges for the sexes and were the first to restore open communion.

They hold the Bible without human creeds, baptism without close-communion, true faith without bigotry.

Theirs is the oldest denomination, the most scriptural name, the most charitable spirit, the most pure religion; the most rational conversion.

No body can find a better name than CHRISTIAN; a better creed than the Bible; a better fellowship than for all saints.

There is not an article of their faith that requires any change of the scripture statement; nor any other denomination that can compare with them in scripture conformity.

Their name covers all the followers of Jesus; their charity is over all whom God loves; their church was organized at Jerusalem; added to at Pentecost and has the promise that the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

Christ was their first teacher; the apostles their preachers; the converted Jews their first members and all the saved are their brethren. They have unity with diversity, truth with toleration; obedience without boasting and, while liberal, are conservative.

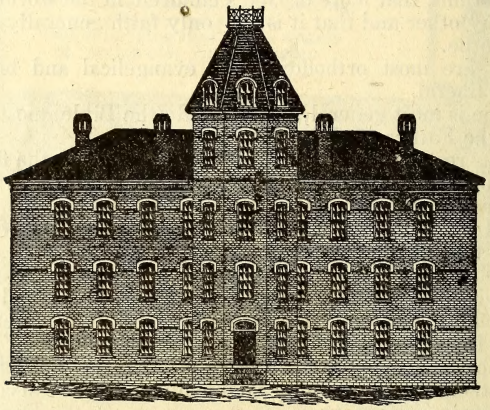
Theirs is the only name which of itself signifies Christianity, the only church named in the Bible, the only creed that will cross over Jordan, and there is no reason why all Christians should not adopt the same biblical and evangelical principles, except human considerations.

It is the representative church of the Christian world; its name needs no changing; its creed needs no mending; its fellowship needs no extending; its charity needs no expanding. We ask not union, for we are on our part in union with all; nor fellowship, for we are on our part in fellowship with all; and though we cannot go to them, we know they will come to us, for we hold to the only form of religion which will pass into Heaven.

ELON COLLEGE.

This cut presents a picture of the new building for ELON COLLEGE for the CHRISTIAN denomination in the South, located fifteem miles east of Greensboro on the North Carolina Division of the R. & D. R. R. and four miles west of Burlington on the same road. The location is one of natural beauty and most healthy. The water is excellent and the air very pure.

The building which is now in course of erection is three stories high, 129 feet long and 57 feet from front to rear, with an octagan front 25 feet in diameter, running up 104 feet high. Dr. Long, the President of the College, is pushing the work, and confidently expects to be ready for the opening of the next annual session in September, 1890, in the new buildings. The completion of this grand enterprise and the inauguration of its work will, under the blessings of God, mark a new era in the CHRISTIAN CHURCH.



ELON COLLEGE.

The movement for the present enterprise had its beginning, in a practical and tangible shape, in a meeting of the Committee on Schools and Colleges held in the town of Graham, N. C., March 28, 1887, Revs. W. S. Long, D. D., J. W. Holt, J. P. Barrett and Bro. J. W. Harden were present, when Rev. J. P. Barrett made a motion looking to the leasing of the Graham Normal College property as a temporary home for the College. The motion finally prevailed and the work began. Later the new location was chosen and the new building commenced as above indicated.

Snakes Make it Plain.

"Take twenty-five snakes, and turn them loose in your back yard —that's free whiskey. Put them in a box, and bore twenty-five holes for them to crawl out of—that's low license. Stop up ten of the holes —that's high license. Throw the snakes over into your neighbor's yard —that's local option. Take a club, and kill them—that's prohibition."

THE PRESIDENT OF ELON COLLEGE.

The Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., President of Elon College, was born near Graham, in Alamance county, N. C., Oct. 22, 1839, and is therefore now in his 50th year. His parents, Jacob and Jane Long (nee Stockard) are still living at an advanced age, but remarkably well preserved. He was educated at Graham College while it was under the Presidency of the Rev. W. H. Doherty, A. M. a man of great learning. On leaving College he began to teach in Virginia. About this time he was married to Miss Lizzie Faucett of Alamance. They have five children, Annie Joe, John Edgar, William S., Benj. F. and Lizzie Jane, the first two of whom are married.

REV. W. S. LONG, D. D.

He entered the ministry after his marriage and his life has been a busy and useful one. While he has been a pastor most of the time since he entered the ministry, he has also been constantly connected with educational work, as teacher, as the head of the Graham High School, as Superintendent of Public Instruction for Alamance county, and now as President of Elon College to which he is most earnestly devoting his energies.

Dr. Long is held in high estimation by those who know him best. His brethren have frequently called him to preside over the annual sessions of the North Carolina Christian Conference and also over the General Convention of the Christians in the South. The State, recognizing his ability as an educator, has appointed him as Trustee of the University of North Carolina. He is an able preacher, a fine teacher, and one of the brainy men of the State. The degree of D. D., was conferred on him in 1889 by Union Christian College, Merom, Ind.

JANUARY, 1890.

Day of Mo.	Day of W'k.	Sun Rises		Sun Sets.		Moon Rises or Sets.	
1	We	7	10	4	59	Sets	
2	Th.	7	10	5	0	3	46
3	Fr.	7	10	5	1	4	43
4	Sa.	7	10	5	1	5	39
5	E.	7	10	5	2	6	32
6	Mo.	7	10	5	3	rises	
7	Tu.	7	10	5	4	6	25
8	We	7	10	5	5	7	18
9	Th.	7	10	5	6	8	17
10	Fr.	7	10	5	6	9	16
11	Sa.	7	9	5	7	10	14
12	E.	7	9	5	8	11	14
13	Mo.	7	9	5	9	morn	
14	Tu	7	9	5	10	0	14
15	We	7	9	5	11	1	16
16	Th.	7	9	5	12	2	23
17	Fr.	7	8	5	13	3	32
18	Sa.	7	8	5	14	4	42
10	E.	7	8	5	15	5	52
20	Mo.	7	8	5	15	Sets.	
21	Tu.	7	7	5	16	6	11
22	We	7	7	5	17	7	22
23	Th.	7	6	5	18	8	35
24	Fr.	7	6	5	19	9	41
25	Sa.	7	5	5	20	10	49
26	E.	7	4	5	21	11	50
27	Mo.	7	3	5	22	morn	
28	Tu.	7	3	5	23	0	52
29	We	7	2	5	24	1	50
30	Th.	7	2	5	25	2	48
31	Fr.	7	2	5	26	3	48

MOON'S PHASES.

	D.	H.	M.	
Full Mon	4	7	59	p. m
Las Qua	12	1	37	p. m.
Ne Mon	20	6	29	p. m.
Firs Qua	27	2	56	p. m.

To read the Bible through in one year, read the books as named under each month.

January read Genesis, Job and Mark.

DEACON P. H. LEE.

MAJ. PATRICK HENRY LEE was born in Nansemond county, Va., Dec. 2, 1823, and is now 66 years old. His parents were among the most substantial people of the county. Maj. Lee has walked worthy of the name of his ancestors, and has long deservedly held a place of high esteem in his section of the State. He has been a successful farmer and for many years one of the leading commission merchants of the city of Norfolk, Va. He was for many years a partner in the firm of Savage, Jones & Lee, and later of the house of Jones, Lee & Co. He has accumulated property and is well to do. Maj. Lee has long been an active member and a Deacon in Holy Neck Christian church, where he is loved by the large membership as a father. He married in early life Miss Joana Rawls. They have seven living children, viz.: Mrs. W. M. Jones and I. P. Lee of Norfolk, W. J. Lee and A. T. Lee of Nansemond, both prominent business men, Mrs. E. E. Holland of Suffolk, Va., Mrs. J. P. Gay and Mrs. A. L. Gardner of Franklin, Va. It is indeed a large and thrifty family. Deacon Lee is very devotedly attached to the Christian Church and rejoices in its success. He is a delegate-elect to the General Convention of the Christian church, South, which meets in 1890. May God add to his life many days of usefulness

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WE HAVE SEEN HIM.—The *Christian Register* says: "The church parasite,—have you seen him? He buries himself in the body of the church and sucks its life, but does not contribute anything to its usefulness."

FEBRUARY, 1890.

Day of Mo.	Day of W'k.	Sun Rises.		Sun Sets.		Moon Rises or Sets.	
1	Sa.	7	1	5	27	4	41
2	E.	7	1	5	28	5	32
3	Mo.	7	0	5	28	6	14
4	Tu.	6	59	5	29	rises	
5	We.	6	58	5	30	6	13
6	Th.	6	58	5	31	7	10
7	Fr.	6	57	5	32	8	9
8	Sa.	6	56	5	33	9	8
9	E.	6	55	5	34	10	7
10	Mo.	6	54	5	35	11	7
11	Tu.	6	53	5	36	morn	
12	We	6	53	5	37	0	12
13	Th.	6	52	5	38	1	18
14	Fr.	6	51	5	39	2	28
15	Sa.	6	50	5	40	3	34
16	E.	6	49	5	41	4	40
17	Mo.	6	48	5	42	5	42
18	Tu.	6	47	5	43	6	27
19	We	6	46	5	44	sets	
20	Th.	6	45	5	45	7	20
21	Fr.	6	43	5	46	8	28
22	Sa.	6	42	5	47	9	33
23	E.	6	41	5	48	10	36
24	Mo.	6	40	5	48	11	38
25	Tu.	6	39	5	49	morn	
26	We	6	38	5	50	0	38
27	Th	6	37	5	51	1	34
28	Fr.	6	36	5	52	2	32

MOON'S PHASES.

	D.	H.	M.	
Full Mon	6	0	21	a m
Las Qua	14	1	18	a m
Ne Mon	20	6	35	p m
First Qua	27	3	2	p m

February read Exodus, 1, 2, 3 Johns, Leviticus and Romans.

DEACON J. B. HARRELL.

JOSHUA BYRD HARRELL, the son of Jno. W. and Delilah Harrell, was born in Nansemond county, Va., Jan. 6, 1845. He grew up in his native county, was converted in 1866, and joined the Christian Church at Cypress Chapel. Jan. 18, 1871, he was married to Miss Evelina Brown. The fruit of this union is eight children, 6 boys and 2 girls; one of the boys is dead.

In 1886 he was elected to the office of Deacon in Cypress Chapel church, and was ordained to that office, which he has filled with credit to himself and profit to the church. A little later he was chosen Superintendent of the Sunday School, where he has been blessed in his labors. Deacon Harrell is a most worthy man, a high toned Christian and a strong friend to the Christian Church. He attends well-nigh every Annual Conference as the representative of his church.

THE NEED.—The *Pittsburgh Advocate* well says: "The need of the church and the world to-day is not new things, but the belief in and the efficient use of the old. The old gospel, the old church, the old institutions need but one thing to make them completely successful—a new baptism of the Spirit of God.

THE DIFFERENCE.—Universalism and Unitarianism arose in different social strata. Unitarianism was aristocratic, Universalism was democratic. 'Universalists,' it was said, 'think God is too good to damn them. Unitarians think they are too good to be damned.'" Both are in error.—ED. ANNUAL.

MARCH, 1890.

Day of Mo.	Day of W'k.	Sun Rises.		Sun Sets.		Moon Rises or Sets.	
1	Sa.	6	34	5	55	3	26
2	E.	6	32	5	56	4	14
3	Mo.	6	30	5	57	4	55
4	Tu.	6	28	5	58	5	33
5	We	6	26	5	59	6	8
6	Th.	6	24	6	0	rises	
7	Fr.	6	23	6	1	7	1
8	Sa.	6	22	6	1	8	2
9	E.	6	20	6	2	9	3
10	Mo	6	18	6	3	10	6
11	Tu	6	17	6	4	11	11
12	We	6	16	6	5	morn	
13	Th.	6	14	6	6	0	17
14	Fr.	6	13	6	6	1	24
15	Sa.	6	12	6	7	2	27
16	E.	6	11	6	8	3	27
17	Mo.	6	9	6	9	4	19
18	Tu.	6	18	6	10	5	13
19	We	6	6	6	11	6	44
20	Th.	6	4	6	12	sets	
21	Fr.	6	3	6	12	7	13
22	Sa.	6	2	6	13	8	17
23	E.	6	0	6	14	9	24
24	Mo.	5	59	6	15	10	25
25	Tu.	5	58	6	16	11	26
26	We	5	57	6	17	morn	
27	Th.	5	55	6	18	0	25
28	Fr.	5	53	6	19	1	18
29	Sa.	5	51	6	20	2	8
30	E	5	50	6	20	2	52
31	Mo.	5	48	6	21	3	33

MOON'S PHASES.

	D.	H.	M.	
F. M.	6	1	33	p. m.
L. Q.	13	10	51	p. m.
N. M.	20	3	47	p. m.
F. Q.	28	4	18	a. m.

March read Numbers, Galations, Deuteronomy and James.

DEACON JOHN W. HYSLOP.

JOHN W. HYSLOP was born in Northampton county, Va., Sept. 15, 1815—was the son of J. C. and Martha A. Hyslop (nee Hosier.)

Bro. Hyslop after he married became a resident of his wife's native county—Norfolk, where he spent the rest of his life. In 1834 he joined the church at Providence. In 1873 he was ordained Deacon. He left three children, two boys, W. T. and R. A. Hyslop and one girl, Susan.

He began life singlehanded and by honest and industrious habits he acquired a good living, and was a most substantial citizen.

His life as a Christian was as an epistle read by the people with whom he associated, it was as a sermon which had been closely studied and well prepared, in which irregularities had little room. He was a pillar in the spiritual life of Providence church. He died May 13, 1881. His mantle falls upon his youngest son Robert A. Hyslop, who takes a deep interest in Providence church.

Can a Stingy Man Get to Heaven?

The word *stingy*, according to Webster, means: "Extremely close and covetous," and the Bible says no *covetous* man can inherit the Kingdom of Heaven. See 1 Cor. 6:10. Then it is clear that the *stingy* man can not get to Heaven. If the cap fits you—so much the worse for you—cease to be *stingy*—learn to be *liberal*, for "the liberal soul shall be made fat." Now which do you prefer, Earth with its perishing riches and its dying pleasures, or Heaven, with its unfading beauty and its undying glory?

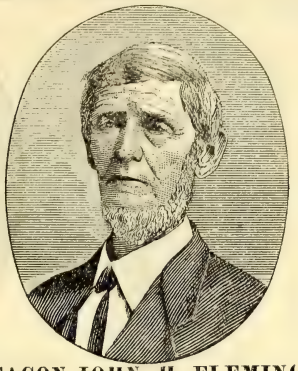
APRIL, 1890.

Day of Mo.	Day of W'k.	Sun Rises.		Sun Sets.		Moon Rises or Sets.	
1	Tu.	5	47	6	22	4	7
2	We	5	46	6	23	5	9
3	Th	5	44	6	23	5	9
4	Fr.	5	42	6	24	5	38
5	Sa.	5	41	6	25	rises	
6	E.	5	39	6	26	7	54
7	Mo.	5	38	6	26	9	2
8	Tu	5	36	6	28	10	10
9	We	5	35	6	29	11	17
10	Th	5	34	6	29	morn	
11	Fr.	5	33	6	30	0	22
12	Sa.	5	31	6	31	1	22
13	E.	5	30	6	32	2	15
14	Mo.	5	28	6	30	3	2
15	Tu	5	27	6	34	3	42
16	We	5	25	6	34	4	17
17	Th	5	24	6	35	4	49
18	Fr.	5	23	6	36	5	20
19	Sa.	5	22	6	37	sets	
20	E.	5	21	6	38	8	8
21	Mo.	5	20	6	39	9	12
22	Tu	5	18	6	40	10	11
23	We	5	17	6	41	11	8
24	Th	5	15	6	41	morn	
25	Fr.	5	14	6	42	0	1
26	Sa.	5	13	6	43	0	48
27	E.	5	12	6	43	1	28
28	Mo.	5	11	6	44	2	7
29	Tu	5	10	6	45	2	38
30	We	5	9	6	46	3	8

MOON'S PHASES.

	D.	H.	M.	
F. M.	5	4	10	a. m.
L. Q.	12	5	39	a. m.
N. M.	19	2	51	a. m.
F. Q.	26	11	37	p. m.

April read Joshua, Judges, Ruth, Matthew, 1 Sam. 1–14 Chaps.



DEACON JOHN H. FLEMING.

BY HON. S. P. READ.

The subject of this sketch was born Jan. 31, 1809, in Warren county, N. C., and was married to Nancy P. Davis Oct. 31, 1838. Although a highly honorable and upright citizen, it was not until about the year 1850 that he made a profession of religion and connected himself with the Christian Church, and from that time to the day of his death, which occurred Aug. 14, 1887, he endeavored by a godly walk and conversation to lead others to that Saviour to whom he felt he owed so much. His great desire seemed to be to overcome the evil influences of his youth and to lead his companions of other years to Christ.

Soon after his connection with the church he was elected to the office of Deacon. The responsible duties of this office he discharged to the day of his death. Being honored and beloved, not only by his own family and church, but by God's people of every name and by the community at large in which he lived. His life truly proclaimed the noble truths of Christiauity and marked him as a servant of the living God.

Nearness of life to the Saviour will necessarily involve greatness of love to him As nearness to the sun increases the temperature of the various planets, so near and intimate communion with Jesus raises the heart of the soul's affections toward him—*Spurgeon*

A want of occupation is not rest

MAY, 1890.

Day of Mo.	Day of W'k.	Sun Rises.		Sun Sets.		Moon Rises or Sets.	
1	Th	5	8	6	47	3	39
2	Fr.	5	7	6	48	4	7
3	Sa.	5	6	6	49	1	35
4	E.	5	4	6	49	rises	
5	Mo.	5	4	6	50	7	56
6	Tu	5	3	6	51	9	6
7	We	5	2	6	51	10	16
8	Th	5	1	6	52	11	19
9	Fr.	5	0	6	53	morn	
01	Sa.	5	59	6	54	0	14
11	E.	5	58	6	54	1	2
12	Mo.	4	57	6	55	1	43
13	Tu	4	56	6	56	2	18
14	We	4	55	6	57	2	53
15	Th.	4	54	6	58	3	23
16	Fr.	4	53	6	59	3	51
17	Sa.	4	53	7	0	4	22
18	E.	4	52	7	1	sets	
19	Mo.	4	52	7	1	8	0
20	Tu	4	51	7	2	8	58
21	We	4	50	7	3	9	53
22	Th	4	49	7	3	10	42
23	Fr.	4	48	7	4	11	27
24	Sa.	4	48	7	5	morn	
25	E.	4	48	7	5	0	5
26	Mo.	4	47	7	6	0	30
27	Tu	4	47	7	7	1	10
28	We	4	46	7	8	1	37
29	Th	4	46	7	9	2	6
30	Fr.	4	45	7	10	2	33
21	Sa.	4	45	7	11	3	3

MOON'S PHASES.

	D.	H.	M.	
F. M.	4	3	54	p. m.
L. Q.	11	11	7	a. m.
N. M.	18	3	4	p. m.
F. Q.	26	5	20	p. m.

May read 1 Sam. 15—31 Chaps., 2 Sam. Psalms 1—118.

DEACON ELISHA EVERETT.

DEACON ELISHA EVERETT was born in Nansemond county, Va., Dec. 13, 1813, he is therefore now seventy six years of age. In early life he settled near Suffolk, Va., and married Miss Ann E. Vaughan, who was to him a help meet indeed. To them have been born 10 children, seven of whom are dead. The three living children are Mrs. James Brittain of Nansemond county, Va., Mrs. J. P. Barrett of Raleigh, N. C., and Mr. E. L. Everett of Nansemone county. When Bro. Everett met William B. Wellons, then a young man, he took a great fancy to him and they became fast friends for life. He it was who stood by Bro. Wellons, with perhaps a few others, in building Bethlehem church near Suffolk. Later Bro. Everett went South to engage in business. He did not locate permanently, but returned and settled in the Lower Parish of Nansemond, where he still resides. Here he connected himself with the Berea Christian Church, in which he was chosen Deacon and elected Superintendent of the Sunday School, positions which he long held and in which he delighted to serve. About a year ago his feeble health made it necessary to give up the work of superintending the Sunday School, and Deacon Thos. R. Gaskins was elected his successor. Whenever his health and the weather will permit him he attends divine services. He has had a remarkable constitution and has done a good work in his day. He looks upon the bright side of life and is fond of a joke.

A mind quite vacant is a mind distressed

JUNE, 1890.

Day of Mo.	Day of W'k.	Sun Rises.		Sun Setr.		Moon Rises or Sets.	
1	E.	4	44	7	11	3	35
2	Mo.	4	44	7	11	4	12
3	Tu	4	44	7	12	rises	
4	We	4	43	7	12	9	3
5	Th	4	42	7	13	10	7
6	Fr.	4	41	7	13	10	59
7	Sa.	4	41	7	14	11	45
8	E.	4	41	7	14	morn	
9	Mo.	4	41	7	15	0	52
10	Tu	4	41	7	15	0	55
11	We	4	41	7	16	1	26
12	Th	4	41	7	16	1	54
13	Fr.	4	41	7	16	2	25
14	Sa.	4	41	7	16	2	56
15	E.	4	41	7	17	3	30
16	Mo.	4	41	7	18	4	7
17	Tu	4	41	7	18	Sets	
18	We	4	41	7	19	8	36
19	Th	4	42	7	19	9	22
20	Fr.	4	43	7	19	10	2
21	Sa.	4	43	7	19	10	39
22	E.	4	43	7	19	11	10
23	Mo.	4	43	7	19	11	39
24	Tu	4	43	7	19	morn	
25	We	4	43	7	19	0	5
26	Th	4	44	7	19	0	32
27	Fr.	4	44	7	20	1	2
28	Sa.	4	44	7	20	1	32
29	E.	4	45	7	20	2	7
30	Mo.	4	45	7	20	2	46

MOON'S PHASES.

	D.	H.	M.	
F. M.	3	1	20	a. m.
L. Q.	9	4	36	p. m.
N. M.	17	4	44	a. m.
F. Q.	25	8	39	a. m.

June read Psalm 119–150, 1 Kings, Proverbs and Luke.

DEACON A. M. ELEY.

ALEXANDER M. ELEY was born in Isle of Wight county, Va., Aug. 31, 1851. His parents were Exum L. and Elizabeth Eley, long prominent members of Antioch church. Bro. A. M. Eley professed religion and joined the church at Antioch with his parents in 1864. He was elected and ordained Deacon in 1874. He married Dec. 18, 1872 Miss M. A. V. Carr. They have seven children.

When the Christian church at Windsor was organized, Deacon Eley cast his lot with it. Here he was a leading spirit for a number of years. During the most of this time he was Superintendent of the Sunday School, a work in which he found pleasure. Later he moved to Norfolk and as we had no church in that city he cast his lot with the Berkley church where he has been a most active worker and Superintendent of the Sunday School. Last January he took part in the organization of a Sunday School in Brambleton and became its Superintendent. Thus it may be seen that he is a most busy church worker. All this in the midst of a large and increasing business, shows that business men who have the will may find time to serve God in a practical way. He is a warm friend, enthusiastic and persevering. He is devoted to the Christian Church and all her interests. May he yet have many days for God's service.

Do not despise your situation; in it you must act, suffer, and conquer From every point on earth we are equally near to heaven and to the infinite —*Amiel*

JULY, 1890.

Day of Mo.	Day of W'e.	Sun Rises.	Sun Sets.	Moon Rises or sets.
1	Tu	4 45	7 20	3 35
2	We	4 46	7 20	rises
3	Th	4 47	7 20	8 58
4	Fr	4 47	7 20	9 38
5	Sa	4 48	7 19	10 20
6	E	4 48	7 19	10 54
7	Mo	4 49	7 19	11 29
8	Tu	4 50	7 19	11 58
9	We	4 50	7 19	morn
10	Th	4 51	7 18	0 27
11	Fr	4 52	7 18	0 59
12	Sa	4 52	7 18	1 32
13	E	4 53	7 17	2 7
14	Mo	4 53	7 17	2 47
15	Tu	4 54	7 16	3 34
16	We	4 55	7 16	sets
17	Th	4 55	7 15	8 3
18	Fr	4 56	7 15	8 40
19	Sa	4 57	7 14	9 11
20	E	4 57	7 13	9 41
21	Mo	4 58	7 13	10 8
22	Tu	4 59	7 12	10 35
23	We	5 0	7 12	11 2
24	Th	5 0	7 11	11 30
25	Fr	5 1	7 11	morn
26	Sa	5 2	7 10	0 1
27	E	5 3	7 9	0 37
28	Mo	5 3	7 8	1 21
39	Tu	5 4	7 7	2 12
30	We	5 5	7 6	3 12
31	Th	5 6	7 6	rises

MOON'S PHASES.

	D.	H.	M.
F. M.	2	9	9 a. m.
L. Q.	8	11	29 p. m.
N. M.	16	7	35 p. m.
F. Q.	24	9	30 p. m.
F. M.	31	4	10 p. m.

July read Ecclesiastes, Songs of Solomon, 2. Kings, Jonah, Amos, Hosea, 1. Chronicles, 2. Chronicles to 16 Chap.

REV. ALFRED ISELEY.

ALFRED ISELEY was born Oct. 30, 1813. At about the age of 19 years he made a profession of religion and joined the church. He was licensed at Providence church in Alamance county, N. C., and was ordained to the full work of the ministry about the year 1837. Dec. 25, 1838, he married Miss Margaret Iseley. She died May 24, 1854. In 1855 he was married the second time, Miss Martha Garrison becoming his wife. He leaves several children, among them one preacher, Rev. A. F. Iseley.

He served the following churches as their pastor at different times during his ministry: Apples' Chapel, Hines' Chapel, Union (Alamance,) Concord, Shallow Ford, Bethlehem, Pleasant Hill (Chatham.) He also labored in Eastern Virginia for several years and in what is now known as the Deep River Conference. He was a strong man, a fine preacher, and when fully aroused was powerful in his appeals to the unconverted. He was a leading member of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference. He died Sept. 13, 1876, deeply lamented by all his brethren. Blessed be his memory.

The place of a man before the pure all-witnessing Spirit of God, and in the estimation of those who are heavenly-minded, determines his place in the world All true relations are eternal—*Mozoomar*

Some one has most encouragingly suggested that "God who wonld have us receive them that are weak in the faith (Rom xiv 1,) will not himself refuse them"—Christian Standard

AUGUST, 1890.

Day of Mo.	Day of Wk.	Sun Rises.		Sun Sets.		Moon Rises or sets.	
1	Fr.	5	6	7	4	8	11
2	Sa.	5	7	7	3	8	52
3	E.	5	8	7	3	9	30
4	Mo.	5	9	7	2	9	58
5	Tu	5	10	7	1	10	28
6	We	5	11	7	1	10	59
7	Th	5	11	7	0	11	32
8	Fr.	5	12	6	58	morn	
9	Sa.	5	13	6	56	0	7
10	E.	5	13	6	55	0	46
11	Mo.	5	14	6	54	1	27
12	Tu	5	15	6	53	2	17
13	We	5	16	6	52	3	10
14	Th	5	17	6	51	4	6
15	Fr.	5	18	6	50	sets	
16	Sa.	5	19	6	49	7	44
17	E.	5	19	6	48	8	12
18	Mo.	5	20	6	46	8	39
19	Tu	5	21	6	45	9	4
20	We	5	21	6	45	9	32
21	Th	5	22	6	43	10	0
22	Fr.	5	23	6	42	10	35
23	Sa.	5	24	6	40	11	12
24	E.	5	25	6	39	11	58
25	Mo.	5	26	6	38	morn	
26	Tu	5	26	6	36	0	56
27	We	5	27	6	35	2	1
28	Th	5	28	6	33	3	13
29	Fr.	5	28	6	32	rises	
30	Sa.	5	29	6	31	7	19
31	E.	5	30	6	30	7	57

MOON'S PHASES.

	D.	H.	M.
L. Q.	7	9	5 a. m.
N. M.	15	11	5 a. m.
F. Q.	23	8	6 a. m.
F. M.	29	11	21 p. m.

August read 2 Chronicles 17—36 Chapters, Joel, Isaiah, Micah, Nahum, Hobbakus, Zephaniah, Jeremiah to 12 Chap.

REV. JOHN A. SCOTT.

REV. JOHN A. SCOTT, son of Collin and Elizabeth Scott, was born Aug. 30, 1845, in Randolph county, N. C. He is therefore in his forty-fifth year. He joined the church in 1867, was licensed to preach in 1869 at Pleasant Grove church in Randolph county, and was ordained in 1882 at Pleasant Cross church in the same county. Revs. W. R. Brown, J. P. Barrett and J. W. Holt being the Ordaining Presbytery. He married Miss Emma A. Holt, a daughter of the lamented Rev. Jno. R. Holt, in 1872. They have seven children. Minnie E., Eva C., Ora A., Fred H., Bruce W., Mattie L. and Mary E.

Bro. Scott was educated at Shiloh Academy in his native county. He has served the churches at Big Oak and Union Grove as pastor, and served his Conference as president four times. In October 1889, he received and accepted a call to serve churches in the Virginia Valley Conference, where he is now serving as pastor. We look for good results from his labors in the Valley.

WHICH DECREE—Bishop Vincent told the young preachers of the North Nebraska Conference that all preachers merit one or the other of these degrees: "L L—lazy and listless; S S—sentimental and spasmodic; D D—devout and diligent"

If your prayers are not directed right, they will go to the dead-prayer office, just as letters go to the dead-letter office

SEPTEMBER, 1890.

Day of Mo.	Day of W'k.	Sun Rises.		Sun Sets.		Moon Rises or Sets.	
1	Mo.	5	31	6	28	8	30
2	Tu	5	32	6	27	9	1
3	We	5	33	6	25	9	33
4	Th	5	34	6	24	10	7
5	Fr.	5	35	6	22	10	46
6	Sa.	5	35	6	21	11	25
7	E.	5	36	6	19	morn	
8	Mo.	5	36	6	18	0	13
9	Tu	5	37	6	16	1	4
10	We	5	38	6	15	1	59
11	Th	5	39	6	14	2	57
12	Fr.	5	39	6	12	3	55
13	Sa.	5	40	6	11	4	51
14	E.	5	41	6	10	sets.	
15	Mo.	5	42	6	8	7	8
16	Tu	5	43	6	6	7	35
17	We	5	44	6	5	8	4
18	Th	5	44	6	4	8	36
19	Fr.	5	45	6	2	9	13
20	Sa.	5	45	6	1	9	53
21	E.	5	46	6	0	10	45
22	Mo.	5	47	5	58	11	42
23	Tu.	5	48	5	56	morn	
24	We.	5	49	5	54	0	53
25	Th.	5	50	5	53	2	4
26	Fr.	5	50	5	52	3	16
27	Sa.	5	51	5	50	4	32
28	E.	5	51	5	49	rises.	
29	Mo.	5	52	5	47	6	52
30	Tu.	5	53	5	46	7	24

MOON'S PHASES.

	D.	H.	M.	
L. Q.	5	10	15	p. m.
N. M.	14	2	3[illegible]	a. m.
F. Q.	21	4	51	p. m.
F. M.	28	7	46	p. m.

September read Jeremiah, 13th to 52nd chapter, Lamentations, John, 1st and 2nd Peter and Daniel

GEORGE S. WATSON, M. D.

Dr. George S. Watson, son of Dr. E. F. and Mrs. R. F. Watson, was born in Alamance county, N. C. He professed religion and joined the church in September 1860. He became and active and useful member, as is attested by the fact that he was elected Deacon in 1875. In November 1880 he married Miss Jennie McCauley, daughter of Dr. J. W. McCauley. They have three children.

Dr. Watson studied medicine in the College of Physicians and Surgeons in Baltimore, Md., and graduated in 1873. He is now a prominent physician of Alamance county. His church often sends him as a delegate to Conference, and on one or two occasions the Conference has elected him a delegate to the General Convention. At Graham in the extraordinary Session in 1888, he was appointed a member of the Provisional Board for the location and management of Elon College till the first meeting of the Trustees, in which place he served with fidelity. He is also one of the Trustees of Elon College. He is a Christian gentleman, an honor to his profession and a pillar in his church. He is a delegate-elect to the next General Convention.

The mind of the bigiot is like the pupil of the eye, the more light you pour on it the more it contracts—*O W Holmes*

It is well for us that when our thoughts must cease, God's thoughts have not yet reached their end—*Richard Rothe*

OCTOBER, 1890

Day of Mo	Day of W'k	Sun Rises		Sun Sets		Moon Rises or Sets	
1	We.	5	54	5	44	8	0
2	Th.	5	55	5	43	8	36
3	Fr.	5	56	5	41	9	17
4	Sa.	5	57	5	40	10	6
5	E.	5	58	5	39	10	57
6	Mo.	5	59	5	38	11	51
7	Tu.	5	59	5	36	morn	
8	We.	6	0	5	35	0	48
9	Th.	6	1	5	34	1	46
10	Fr.	6	2	5	32	2	44
11	Sa.	6	3	5	30	3	43
12	E.	6	4	5	29	4	41
13	Mo.	6	5	5	28	sets.	
14	Tu.	6	6	5	27	6	6
15	We.	6	7	5	25	6	37
16	Th.	6	8	5	24	7	12
17	Fr.	6	9	5	23	7	53
18	Sa.	6	9	5	21	8	39
19	E.	6	10	5	19	9	37
20	Mo.	6	11	5	18	10	43
21	Tu.	6	12	5	17	11	52
22	We.	6	13	5	16	morn	
23	Th.	6	14	5	15	1	2
24	Fr.	6	15	5	14	2	12
25	Sa.	6	16	5	12	3	22
26	E.	6	16	5	11	4	30
27	Mo.	6	17	5	10	rises	
28	Tu.	6	18	5	9	5	53
29	We.	6	19	5	8	6	30
30	Th.	6	21	5	6	7	9
31	Fr.	6	22	5	5	7	55

MOON'S PHASES.

	D.	H.	M.	
L. Q.	5	3	9	p. m.
N. M.	13	5	51	p. m.
F. Q.	21	0	22	a. m.
F. M.	27	6	28	p. m.

October read Obadiah, Ezekiel, Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther, Haggai, Zecharia, Malachi and Jude

PETTAWAY JOHNSON, ESQ.

FOUNDER OF THE "JUBILEE FUND."

BRO. PETTAWAY JOHNSON was born in Southampton county, Va., April 6, 1821. He grew up with the limited opportunities of his early days, but made good use of his time. In February 1849, he married Miss Margaret Pond, a lady of the most lovely disposition and character. They have lived together now over 40 years. They have no children, but delight in doing all the good they can, and they rarely let an opportunity pass without using it. He and his noble wife have long been members of the church at Johnson's Grove, where their influence is a tower of strength. Bro. Johnson's worth as a man is second only to his modesty. His church has desired his services as Deacon, but his modesty has led him to decline. A few years ago he approached the editor of the CHRISTIAN SUN and gave him $5 and said "use it where it will do the most good." From this beginning grew what became the "Jubilee Fund," used to aid in sending the church paper to tho poor and afflicted who can not pay for it. Bro. Johnson never expected to hear of this $5 again, but, like bread cast upon the waters, it is seen again, we trust to the glory of God and the good of souls. Long may he live to do good in his own modest way.

God's mercy works sweetly; it allures and conquers

God is to be adored in the heart, and not painted to the eye

NOVEMBER, 1890

Day of Mo	Day of W'k	Sun Rises		Sun Sets		Moon Rises or Sets	
1	Sa.	6	22	5	4	8	46
2	E.	6	23	5	4	9	39
3	Mo.	6	24	5	3	10	33
4	Tu.	6	25	5	2	11	33
5	We.	6	26	5	1	morn	
6	Th.	6	27	5	0	0	31
7	Fr.	6	28	4	59	1	28
8	Sa.	6	28	4	58	2	25
9	E.	6	29	4	57	3	24
10	Mo.	6	30	4	56	4	24
11	Tu.	6	32	4	55	5	24
12	We.	6	33	4	55	sets.	
13	Th.	6	34	4	54	5	47
14	Fr.	6	35	4	53	6	36
15	Sa.	6	36	4	53	7	33
16	E.	6	37	4	52	8	35
17	Mo.	6	38	4	51	9	40
18	Tu.	6	39	4	51	10	53
19	We.	6	40	4	50	morn	
20	Th.	6	41	4	50	0	3
21	Fr.	6	42	4	49	1	12
22	Sa.	6	43	4	49	2	18
23	E.	6	44	4	49	3	24
24	Mo.	6	45	4	48	4	31
25	Tu.	6	46	4	47	5	37
26	We.	6	47	4	47	rises.	
27	Th.	6	48	4	46	5	45
28	Fr.	6	49	4	46	6	37
39	Sa.	6	50	4	46	7	29
30	E.	6	51	4	46	8	22

MOON'S PHASES.

	D.	H.	M.
L. Q.	4	10	58 a m.
N. M.	12	8	23 a. m.
F. Q.	19	7	30 a. m.
F. M.	26	8	9 a. m.

November read Acts, 1st and 2nd Thessalonians, 1st and 2nd Corinthians, Philemon, Colossians, and Ephesians

When They Were New.

First jury 907.
Pins made 1450.
Needles used 1545.
Matches made 1849.
First cast-iron 1514.
First newspaper 1494.
Coal used as fuel 1834.
Sirnames used in 1162.
First gold coin B C, 206.
Tobacco introduced 1583.
First steam railroad 1830.
Kerosene introduced 1826.
Lead pencil used in 1594.
First postage stamps 1840.
Window glass used in 694.
Electric light invented 1874.
Iron found in America 1815.
First insurance, marine, 532.
First American express 1821.
First wheeled carriage 1559.
First illuminating gas in 1792.
Latin ceased to be spoken 580.
Musical notes introduced 1338.
Bible translated into Saxon 647.
Gunpowder used by Chinese 80.
Bible translated into Gothic 872.
Photographs first produced 1802.
Old Testament finished B C 430.
Emancipation proclamation 1863.
Paper made by Chinese B C 220.
Bible translated into English 1534.

Miles of Various Nations.

The Irish mile is 2,240 yards.
The Swiss mile is 9,153 yards.
The Italian mile is 1,766 yards.
The Scotch mile is 1,984 yards.
The Tuscan mile is 1,808 yards.
The German mile is 8,106 yards.
The Arabian mile is 2,143 yards.
The Turkish mile is 1,826 yards.
The Flemish mile is 6,869 yards.
The Vienna post mile is 8,296 yards.
The Roman mile is 1,628 or 2,025 yards.
The Werst mile is 1,167 or 1,337 yards.
The Dutch and Prussian mile is 6,480 yards.
The Swedish and Danish mile is 7,341.5 yards.
The English and American mile is 1,760 yards.

DECEMBER, 1890

Day of Mo	Day of W'k	Sun Rises		Sun Sets		Moon Rises or Sets	
1	Mo.	6	51	4	46	9	21
2	Tu.	6	52	4	46	10	20
3	We.	6	53	4	46	11	17
4	Th.	6	54	4	46	morn	
5	Fr.	6	55	4	46	0	15
6	Sa.	6	56	4	46	1	10
7	E.	6	56	4	46	2	8
8	Mo.	6	57	4	46	3	8
9	Tu.	6	58	4	46	4	12
10	We.	6	59	4	46	5	18
11	Th.	7	0	4	46	sets.	
12	Fr.	7	1	4	47	5	18
13	Sa.	7	2	4	47	6	22
14	E.	7	2	4	47	7	29
15	Mo.	7	3	4	47	8	42
16	Tu.	7	4	4	48	9	55
17	We.	7	4	4	48	11	4
18	Th.	7	5	4	48	morn	
19	Fr.	7	6	4	48	0	12
20	Sa.	7	7	4	49	1	17
21	E.	7	7	4	50	2	20
22	Mo.	7	8	4	50	3	26
23	Tu.	7	8	4	51	4	32
24	We.	7	8	4	51	5	35
25	Th.	7	9	4	52	6	36
26	Fr.	7	9	4	52	rises.	
27	Sa.	7	10	4	53	6	9
28	E.	7	10	4	54	7	8
29	Mo.	7	10	4	54	8	7
30	Tu.	7	11	4	55	9	6
31	We.	7	11	4	56	10	4

MOON'S PHASES.

	D.	H.	M.	
L. Q.	4	8	12	a. m.
N. M.	11	9	57	p. m.
F. Q.	18	3	22	p. m.
F. M.	26	0	43	a. m.

December read Phillipians, 1st and 2nd Timothy, Titus and Revelation

Draw Your Checks on This Bank.

How full of meaning is that precious passage, "My God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus!"

A gracious provider—"God."
A glorious promise—"shall."
A good portion—"supply."
A gift that is perfect—"all."
A gain that is personal—"your."
A gladdened patient—"need."
A granary of plenty—"according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus."

Why should I over anxious be,
When such a God is mine?
He watches o'er me night and day,
And tells me, "Mine is thine."

Seven Ways of Giving.

1. The careless way: To give something to every cause that is presented, without inquiring into its merits.

2. The impulsive way: To give from impulse—as much and as often as love and pity and sensibility prompts. This is uncertain and irregular.

3. The lazy way: To make a special offer to earn money for benevolent objects by fairs, festivals, etc.

4. Self-denying way: To save the cost of luxuries and apply them to purposes of religion and charity. This may lead to asceticism and self-complacence.

5. The systematic way: To lay aside as an offering to God a definite portion of our gains—one-tenth, one-fifth, one-third, or one-half. This is adapted to all, whether poor or rich, and gifts would be largely increased if it were generally practiced.

6. The equal way: To give to God and the needy just as much as we spend on ourselves, balancing our personal expenditures by our gifts.

7. The heroic way: To limit our own expenditures to a certain sum, and give away all the rest of our income. This was John Wesley's way.—*Dr. Pierson, in Homiletic Review.*

Have a tender regard for sudden and unpremeditated impressions In the pure heart they are often God's whisper to the soul

F. O. MORING, ESQ.

FRANKLIN O'KELLY MORING was born in Chatham county, N. C., Dec. 1, 1845—he is therefore now in his forty-fifth year. He is a son of Deacon Alfred Moring who has been so well and favorably known to our brotherhood for many years. His mother was an O'Kelly, a great-grand-daughter of Rev. James O'Kelly who led in the organization of the Christians in the South. He professed religion in his fifteenth year and joined the Christian Church at O'Kelly's Chapel.

He was a soldier in the Confederate Army and served faithfully to the close of the war, when he came home to find the prosperity of his country trailing in the dust. He came to the city of Raleigh to make his way in the great world of business and his efforts have been successful. Outside of his own business he has served with distinction in financial circles—in the city government as Alderman and in the banking business as director. He is one of the most trusted commission men in the Capital City of North Carolina.

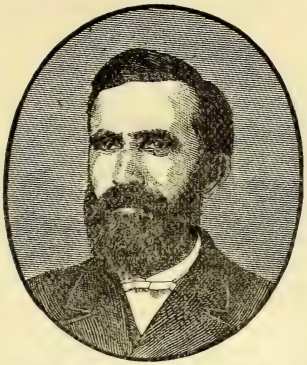
Oct. 10, 1878, he married MISS PATTIE A. UPCHURCH, a lady of most lovely person and character. To them have been born six children, Maggie, Daisy, Helen, Minnie, Frank and Pattie. Frank, the only boy, fell a victim of diptheria in September 1889 and died.

Bro. Moring is a man of intellectual parts. Though an active business man he is well posted on current topics, and one of the best Sunday School teachers in North Carolina.

He *believes* in the doctrines of the CHRISTIAN CHURCH, and is not slow to defend them when occasion demands it. The brotherhood holds him in high esteem. The North Carolina Conference has chosen him more than once to represent it in the Quadrennial sessions of the General Convention, South.

IF a man were to sit down at the table and think and think about his dinner, instead of eating it, he would probably starve. And it is not otherwise with religious truth. To be always thinking about it, and ever receiving or using it, is to starve ourselves and the world too.

It is well for us that when our thoughts must cease, God's thoughts have not yet reached their end.—*Richard Rothe.*



REV. W. W. STALEY, A. M.

WILLIAM W. STALEY was born in Alamance county, N. C., Feb. 24, 1849. His parents were John T. and Melissa J. Staley.

At the age of thirteen years he was converted and united at once with the M. P. Church, but in 1869 he took a letter of transfer and joined the Christian Church at New Providence, Graham. He was prepared for College in Graham High School under Rev. Drs. W. S. and D. A. Long, and graduated from Trinity College in 1874. In 1877–'78 he took a post graduate course at the University of Virginia. In 1887 he attended the Summer School for the study of Hebrew at the University of Virginia.

Soon after graduation he became one of the Professors in Graham High Schol, where his success as a teacher was marked. In the year 1872 he was licensed by the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference at Shallow Well, Moore county, N. C. Having proved his gifts as a preacher he was ordained to the office of Elder in the Christian Church in the Conference held at Hanks' Chapel in Chatham county, N. C., in 1874. Revs. W. B. Wellons, D. D., Solomon Apple and Alfred Iseley constituting the Ordaining Presbytery.

April 30, 1879, he married Miss Martha F. Pearce of Franklin county, N. C., Rev. J. W. Holt officiating. They have three sweet little girls, Bessie, Annie and Willie.

While teacher at Graham he served several churches as pastor and served Alamance county as Superintendent of Public Instruction. In 1882 he received a call to the pastoral charge of the Christian Church in Suffolk, Va. He accepted, and since going there, has not only been greatly blessed in building up the church, but he has become a leading man in the denomination, South, as he certainly is one of the foremost scholars in the ministry.

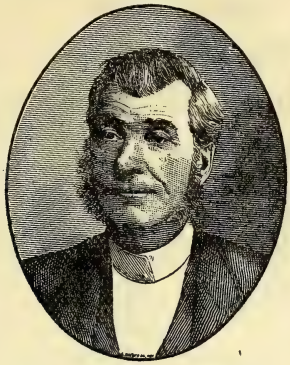
In 1886 he was elected to the highest office in the gift of the Christian Church, South—the Prrsident of the General Convention. During his term of office (four years) he has visited all the Annual Conferences which belong to the Convention, besides attending the American Christian Convention at New Bedford, Mass., in 1886. He is a close student and a hard worker.

TWENTY FIVE "IFS."

1 If wet don't fret, if dry don't cry.
2 If the country sink, it will be by drink.
3 If you trade with a fox, look out for tricks.
4 If you are really beautiful, you need no paint.
5 If anything must be done, do it and be done with it.
6 If mistakes were haystacks, cattle might thrive.
7 If sin be the fashion, let us be out of fashion.
8 If money be not the servant, it is sure to be the master.
9 If lies were Latin, learned men would be quite common.
10 If the eye do not admire, the heart will not desire.
11 If matters cannot be better, let us be glad they are no worse.
12 If others say how good you are, ask yourself if it is true.
13 If you cannot have the best, make the best of what you have.
14 If you can't take things easy, take them as easy as you can.
15 If with the law you once begin, 'twill strip you to the very skin.
16 If you jump into a well, don't blame Providence, if left there.
17 If you are deaf to the voice of God, He will be deaf to your voice.
18 If all others lie, then speak you the truth and be one true man among many bad ones.
19 If Jack were better, Jill would not be so bad. A husband often causes his wife's faults.
20 If you always say NO, you'll never be wed; if you always say YES, you'll be horribly bled.
21 If you command and hope to be obeyed, observe yourself the laws yourself has made.
22 If the best man's faults were written on his forehead, he would wear his hat close to his eyes.
23 If the devil find men idle he will set them to work. "Old Satan finds some mischief still for idle hands to do."
24 If Jack drinks up his wages, Jill cannot save them; therefore, let not the dram drinker accuse his wife of wastefulness.
25 "*A Big If.*" If wisdom's ways you wisely seek,
Five things observe with care,
Of whom you speak, to whom you speak,
And how, and when, and where.

Alone With God.

How many instances in the Bible that show that the one who prevails in prayer is the one who is alone with God as he prays! Moses is by himself beside the bush in the wilderness. Gideon and Jephthah are by themselves when commissioned to save Israel. Abraham leaves Sarah behind when he pleads with God for Sodom. Joshua is alone when the Lord comes to him as an armed man. One John is alone in the wilderness; another John is by himself in Patmos, when nearest God. It is when alone under the fig tree in prayer that Jesus sees Nathaniel. All religious biography, our own closet communion and success with God, show what Christ means when, as if it were the only way to pray, He says: "And thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret, and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly."



REV. JOSEPH BARNEY.

Rev. Joseph Barney was born in Bedford county, Pa., June 19, 1831. His father was of German and his mother of Welsh descent.

In early childhood he had a thirst for knowledge and felt called to preach. He studied closely the New Testament and committed portions of it to memory. After working all day he would read till eleven o'clock at night by the pine-knot light. Teachers in his days were poorly qualified, but he used such advantages as he had. He was always of a smooth and even temper from a child. When 16 years of age he resolved to confess Christ before men and spend his life in his service. He joined the church in 1847, under Eld. Jno. Smith. His thirst for knowledge increased. He and his older brother took a scholarship in Antioch College with the fond hope of using it personally but this rare privilege was denied him. He then set his heart on Meadville, but this was a failure. His parents were aged and infirm and he must try to provide for them. In 1855 he was so deeply impressed with the thought that he must preach that he could not rest. He had waited ten years hoping either to prepare himself or to have the Master relieve him. But now stronger than ever the Spirit urged him to speak and he said: "Lord, I will." He announced that he would preach on Christmas night in the house where he was teaching. A crowd met him and he preached. This was the beginning of a long term of service in the Master's vineyard. July 16, 1857, he married Miss Rebecca V. Arnold of Hampshire county, West Virginia. In this union was born thirteen children, ten of whom have passed to the "Land Beyond." He settled in Fulton county, Pa., where he was called to serve two churches. At Rock Hill he was ordained in 1859. A revival followed his work wherever he labored. He has been abundant in labors and exposure, often crossing the mountains thirteen times a month in mid winter. His work has been greatly blessed and his people are thoroughly devoted to him. The success of the Southern Pennsylvania Conference is largely due to his efforts. He has labored there for a quarter of a century. For more than a year his health has been failing, but he is now convalescent. He has given the hand of fellowship to more than one thousand persons, has baptized six hundred, organized ten churches and preached perhaps more funeral sermons than any man in that part of Pennsylvania.

EIGHT NAILS

With Which You CanNail up Your Church Door.

NAIL 1. Do not go to church when theweather is too warm—a close atmosphere is not beneficial to bodily health; your spiritual health will suffer through sympathy.

NAIL 2. Do not go to church when the weather is too cold; there is no money—except for the doctor—in church drafts. Remember, people are more liable to get cold in church than elsewhere.

NAIL 3. Be sure to be late. If you do not impress people with your importance you may with your appearance. On that account please take a front seat, scowl at an intruder, then pray.

NAIL 4. Take an interest in everything but the service; the minister and choir will attend to that; that is what they are there for. Take sufficient interest to notice all mistakes and please tell them to everybody.

NAIL 5. Be sure and never put currency or silver in the collection. Sometimes put a copper on the plate. This will give you the right of finding fault to an unlimited extent.

NAIL6. Don't fail to forget the time of meetings for church work. This is very encouraging to the minister. Find fault with everything thathas been done and do not do anything because you were not consulted.

NAIL 7. Be sure and tell the minister all his faults when he calls—how he will not compare favorably with his predecessor—humble him, if you can, he may be getting proud.

NAIL 8. On no account send the minister word when you are ill. He should know all about it. It is enough to send for the doctor. After your recovery, when the minister calls, tell him how ill you were and how he neglected you.

The Size of Heaven.

The twenty-first chapter of Revelations gives the measurement. The most interesting calculation on the subject is that of Captain J. B. Sharkley, a measurer of vessels in the Boston custom-house. He takes the statement in Revelation xxi, and figures it out thus: "And he measured the city with the read 12,000 furlongs. The length and the breadth and the height are equal. Twelve thousand furlongs—7,920,000 feet cubed—497,793,088,000,000,000,000 feet. Reserving one-half of this space for the throne and court of Heaven, and one-half of the remainder for streets, we have 124,198,273,000,000,000,000 rooms. We will suppose the world always did and always will contain 900,000,000 inhabitants and that a generation lasts 31 one-eight years, making in all 2,970,000,000 every century, and that the world will stand 1,000,000 years or 10,000 centuries, 29,700,000,000 inhabitants. Now, suppose there are 100 worlds like this, equal in the number of inhabitants and duration of years, a total of 2,970,000,000,000,000 persons, there would be more than 100 rooms 16 feet square for each and every person.

SAY not that Christ has been born in your heart if the poor be not borne upon it.

REV. J. D. ELDER.

Rev. J. D. Elder was born in Harris county, Ga., June 15, 1835. He was the second son of Rev. W. M. J. Elder of the Chsistian Church. His mother, Mary J. Burch, was deeply attached to the Christian church. In 1849 his parents moved to Chambers county, Ala., which was then a frontier county. Bro. Elder was converted in June 1852, and united with the Christian Church at New Hope in 1853—on Saturday night before the third Sunday in August. He was married to Artilcy Rotton Nov. 2, 1854. He was licensed to preach the gospel on Saturday night before the third Sunday in August in 1859, and was ordained in October 1860. In February 1862 he entered the service of the Confederate Army and remained to the close of the war. He has been pastor of the New Hope church, the mother of churches in the Georgia and Alabama Conference, since the war. The church is just one mile from his residence. He has organized the following churches: Pleasant Grove, Liberty, Antioch, Fellowship, New Harmony, Beulah, Daviston and Rock Spring. He has traveled not less than 20,000 miles on horse back to preach the truth of God's Word. He has preached more sermons, conducted more funerals, baptized more converts, received more persons into the fellowship of the church, married more couples, than any man in the county. He has freely given his time, his means, his talents to the Lord's service with but little remuneration and at the same time reared a family of nine children—eight boys and one girl. Of the boys, two, J. W. and H. W. are preachers, and they are promising young men. He now lives in sight of the old homestead where his parents settled forty years ago. None have been more faithful in the Lord's service than J. D. Elder. His voice is yet strong, his health good, his zeal for the Christian Church is unequalled by any of his co-workers. His delight is in comforting the sick and distressed and helping the poor. He is a man of great courage and yet as gentle as a woman. Faithful to his great trust, he never knows when he has done enough.

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REV. MALCOLM L. HURLEY.

Rev. M. L. Hurley is preeminently a successful pastor and a strong friend to denominational enterprises. He was born Sept. 15, 1854, in Montgomery county, N. C. Daniel W. and Margaret Hurley, his parents, still live at an advanced age. He was converted at Shady Grove Christian Church in his native county at the early age of thirteen years. He began to preach and joined the Deep River Conference at the tender age of fourteen, and was ordained to the full work of the ministry when he was sixteen years old, at Union Grove, Randolph county, N. C., by Revs. J. R. Holt, W. R. Brown and A. S. Nelson. Soon thereafter he removed to Halifax county, Va., where he was pastor of Union church for eight years, of Mt. Auburn, Lebanon and Hebron for four years. He organized Hebron church. He did a good work in all of these churches. In December 1878, he married Miss Pattie E. Sanford, daughter of Dr. J. L. Sanford, of Person county, N. C. They have had born to them three children, two of whom are dead. They now live at Franklin, Southampton county, Va. He is pastor of the churches at Noly Neck and Berea, of Holy Neck he has been pastor seven years, of Berea three years. The last session of the Eastern Virginia Conference elected him Home Mission Secretary, a very responsible position. He is also a delegate-elect from that body to the General Convention of the Christian Church, South.

Bro. Hurley is a remarkable man, has a fine memory, is quick in his movements and is an able preacher. He has done a great work in his present field of labor. Under his leadership and the blessings of God, Holy Neck has built a magnificent house of worship, while his entire field raises, for the support of the pastor and the enterprises of the denomination, more than double what they did before he became their pastor. While he has thus led his own field in work, he has found time to organize a church in Franklin, the town in which he lives, which under his lead built a very handsome brick house of worship.

When a minister constantly preaches to his people what they should not do, and rarely tells them what they should, I expect to find them doing what they should not.

DEACON JOHN OBERRY.

Deacon John Oberry was born in Southampton county, Va., in the year 1800. He came to Nansemond county, Va., in 1825–6, and settled near Holy Neck Christian Church. Here he engaged in the business of a carriage builder and in farming. He joined the church at Holy Neck and became one of its leading members—was for many years a Deacon and Superintendent of the Sunday School. He married Miss Sally Battle of Hertford county, N. C., with whom he lived for over fifty years. She was indeed a help meet to him. He died after months of great suffering from cancer, on Oct. 11, 1886. In his last illness he had the most careful attention at the hands of his children and Dr. J. G. Holland, his grand-son. He left five children, twenty eight grand-children and twenty four great-grand-children. He was above mediocrity, a man of a rare constitution, was active till the cancer began its deadly work. In Holy Neck church he was a power, in his community a man of wide influence, loved and honored by all. He was a man of deep piety and died in great peace. Long may his memory be cherised on earth.

Preach This to Your Preacher.

As a rule, if the preachers are in earnest about the collections, the people will be so.

As a rule, the collection that is most stressed by the preacher in any charge is the one to which the people respond most liberally.

As a rule, where the preacher is indifferent or complaining concerning the collections, the people will not be far behind him in their indifference or complaints.

As a rule, a liberal preacher develops liberality among the people to whom he ministers.

As a rule, the preachers who take the best care of the interests of the Church are those who are best taken care of by the people.

As a rule, these things are so. There are exceptions, but it is hoped that the cases are few in which good and true men are judged and condemnd for an exception.—*Selected.*

God is to be adored in the heart, and not painted to the eye.

FATHER TO DAUGHTER.

A Letter on Dancing.

RALEIGH, N. C., Nov. 28, 1889.

MY DEAR MARY:

This is "*Thanksgiving Day*" I heard at church this morning a good sermon on the text:

"The Lord is good to all; and his tender mercies are over all his works"—*Psa* 145:9.

The Lord is indeed good to all He is good to me—he has given me so many good gifts—not the least of which is my Mary—the pride of her father's life—the joy of his heart Deeper than ever is my love for her since she has consecrated her heart to Jesus The more love the more anxiety I am deeply concerned about you as a Christian, not that I think you are a bad girl—but I shudder when I think of the temptations to which you will now be exposed I know you are full of life and enjoy society That is all proper enough, if it does not go too far in that direction You are aware of the fact that now a days "Society" is nothing if it is not worldly It must not only take the lead in a sort of church life, but also in dancing, card-playing and other amusements of that class You know oil and water will not mix—even so religion and dancing will not mix. It has been tried many a time, but it always results in failure on one side or the other—religion is generally lost. You see there is no self-denial in dancing, but there is in following Christ.

I know I love my Mary more than any of these society leaders do, and while I would not cut short a loved daughter's pleasures, (you know father would not,) yet I am constrained to plead with you—to urge you—to be just what you profess to be—a Christian—I beg you, by God's help, to be all that word means, not a "milk and water" Christian, but a whole souled follower of Christ Listen not to the tempter—he beguiled Eve, he will beguile you, if he can.

As a father, I beg you, do not dance—it kills all spirituality. In all my days I have never known a dancing member of the church to be regarded as pious, or to have a holy influence in the church or over sinners—never!

I am aware of the fact that Society leaders will try to persuade you that there is no harm in dancing. That is a mistake. Harm, not good, is what is in it. If you should see a tree bear fruit for 10 or 15 years, and every year its fruit was bad, you could not claim that it was a good fruit tree. So I feel as to dancing—I have watched it for 20 or 25 years, and I have never seen any good come of it yet,—so I must say dancing is not good. These society leaders will tell you that it is fashionable, but, dear child, your father says fashion will be poor pay for the loss of your soul. They will tell you that dancing is an accomplishment. Now, is it? Let us see: Indians (the heathen)—far excel your most graceful dancers, even a trained monkey can do that, and shall we call the highest art of the heathen an accomplishment for ladies in this day of enlightenment? Shall we be proud to enter a race where even a monkey can beat us? Away with such sickly ambition—it may do for monkeys and heathen, but not for intellectual men and women.

I beg you, hear father! Let me assure you that dancing adds noth-

ing to character, it may, and often does, take much from it. Guard your character as your life The dance room has been the stumbling stone for many a pure character. The best of our young men, who dance, will not allow their sisters to dance. Why so? Ah, they know too well what dancing means.

Dancing is urged as a matter of social entertainment Well, I pity the company of young people whose heads are such failures that they have to use their heels to entertain themselves I have a better opinion of my daughter than that—I certainly have, and I hope and believe that she has a better opinion of herself May your conduct never disappoint this good opinion of your devoted FATHER.

CLOSE COMMUNION NOT LOGICAL.

The defenders of the doctrine of close-communion at the Lord's table are not only unscriptural—they are not even logical.

Let us see how this is: Baptists admit that there are Christians outside of Baptist churches, yet in the face of this admission, they set up a claim that Baptists only have a right to the Lord's table. This argument, if true, shows conclusively that Jesus instituted the Supper for only a very few of His people, as perhaps less than one tenth of all the Lord's hosts are Baptists.

Now, think of it! Jesus Christ had lived, suffered, and is now to die, for all who will believe on Him as their Saviour In his last moments, before the crucifixion, when the tenderness of his great soul must have been wrought up to the highest, when His heart was almost bursting with love, when he was ready to lay down his life for sinners, he institutes a supper for his followers. He says as oft as they shall eat this Supper, they will show forth his death till he comes again Now, notwithstanding, he has lived for *all*, has suffered for *all*, will die for *all*, yet this Supper is only for *a few!* Who believes it?

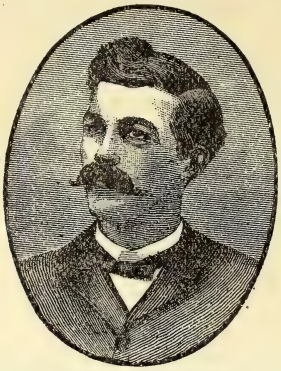
Baptist consistency can never be at par while they admit that there are Christians outside of their fold to whom they refuse the Lord's Supper If they would be consistent, let them plainly say: *Only* Baptists are Christians, and therefore we believe in and practice close-communion While this would be unscriptural, it would be no more so than their present practice, and it would have the advantage of consistency, at least.

Two things are clear:

1 Christ meant the Lord's Supper for *all* of his disciples In Matt 26:27 he plainly says: "Drink ye all of it"—that is all of you (my disciples) drink of it.

2 Christ meant that each of his followers should judge of his own fitness to partake of the Lord's Supper. Paul says: "But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread and drink of that cup. He does not say let him be immersed, or let him get the consent of some man, but let him examine himself. True, that is Paul's teaching, but he says in Gal. 1: 2: For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ.

"I BELIEVE in the resurrection of the body," the faith and the fact are gracious, but it takes works to complete the blessedness of the faith and fact. "They that have done good shall come forth to the resurrection of life."



REV. MURDOCK WELLONS BUTLER.

Rev. M. W. Butler was born Oct. 6, 1859, in Southampton county, Va. He is a son of Deacon James Butler and Martha his wife. He was converted in August 1874, under the labors of Rev. J. P. Barrett at Johnson's Grove church in his native county. He was educated in the common schools of his neighborhood, in the Suffolk Collegiate Institute and Richmond College. He is now taking a course of study in Theology in the Correspondence College of Stanfordville, N. Y. He joined the Biblical Class June 24, 1874, was licensed in November 1880, and was ordained in November 1881. He married Miss Laura G. Brittle of Ivor, Va., Dec. 21, 1883. At various periods he has been pastor of the churches at Ivor, Bethlehem, Hebron, Berkley, Waverly, Union, New Lebanon, Centerville and Burton's Grove. He organized Burton's Grove and Centerville churches. During his brief service as pastor he has received about three hundred persons into the fellwoship of the churches. He has taught school at Windsor, where in 1884 he enrolled 106 pupils. Bro. Butler has been blessed in his labors and the cause has prospered under his management. He is now pastor at Union (Surry), New Lebanon, Burton's Grove, Ivor and Liberty Spring.

Rules For To-day.

Say nothing you would not like God to hear (Eccles v 2)
Do nothing you would not like God to see (Titus ii 7)
Write nothing you would not like God to read (Heb iv 13)
Go to no place where you would not like God to find you Job xxxiv 21)
Read no book of which you would not like God to say, Show it me John v 39)

SAM JONES SAYS: "If I had a daughter that was such a simpleton that she had only just sense enough to behave herself, I would send her to a hook-nosed French dancing master and I would tell him, to make her graceful, and say, "her head's a failure, and I want you to make it up on the feet." I would say to the hook-nosed Frenchman, "bring her feet up right, she is a failure in her head.

FIVE GATES.

There are five gates opening into the life of every human being. Through these our enemies enter and through these our blessings come. At each gate the human will, as a sentinel, stands; in one hand the drawn sword repels the approach of enemies; in the other hand waves the banner of love, extending a welcome to every friendly comer. When the sentinel sleeps enemies enter and make havoc in the citadel of the soul. The Bible attaches great importance to each ot these gates.

I. THE SMELL-GATE. 1. *As indicating the Lord's presence.* Isaac said: "See, the smell of my son is as the smell of a field which the Lord hath blessed."—Gen. 27:27.

2. *As emblematic of sacrifice.* Paul speaks of things sent to him as having "an odour of a sweet smell, a sacrifice, acceptable, well pleasing to God."—Phil. 4:18.

II. THE TASTE-GATE. 1. *As indicating ability to detect the bad.* Can not my taste discern perverse things?—*Job* 6:30.

2. *To enjoy the good.* How sweet are thy words unto my taste! *Psa.* 119:103.

3. *As giving us personal knowledge of God.* O taste and see that the Lord is good.—*Psa.* 34:8.

4. *As extending mercy to the sinner.* If so be ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious.—1 *Pet.* 2:3.

III. THE FEEL-GATE. 1. *As indicating protection from evil.* Whoso keepeth the commandment shall feel no evil thing.—*Eccle.* 8:5.

2. *As indicating healing.* She felt in her body that she was healed of that plague.—*Mark* 5:29.

3. *As assurance of safety.* And he shook off the beast into the fire and felt no harm.—*Acts* 28:5.

4. *As proof of the touch of sympathy.* For we have not a high priest which can not be touched with a feeling of our infirmities. —*Heb.* 4:5.

IV. THE EAR-GATE. 1. *As indicating the duty of hearing.* Who hath ears to hear let him hear.—*Matt.* 13:9.

2. *The choice of hearing.* Take heed what ye hear.—*Mark* 4:24.

3. *The responsibility of hearing.* Take heed therefore how ye hear.—*Luke* 8:18.

4 *As a commission to every believer to tell the good news of salvation* And let him that heareth say come —*Rev* 22:27

V THE EYE-GATE 1 *As implying God's help* Thou holdest mine eyes waking —*Psa* 77:4

2 *As giving evidence of His goodness* Thy loving kindness is before mine eyes —*Psa* 26:3

3 *As removing temptation* Turn away mine eyes from beholding vanity —*Psa* 119:37

4 *As giving victory over sorrow* Thou hast delivered * * * mine eyes from tears —*Psa* 116:8

5 *As helping faith* Howbeit I believed not the words until I came and mine eyes had seen it —1 *Kings* 10:7

6 *God's willingness to show us needed blessings* And God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water —*Gen* 21:19

7 *As showing God's watch care over His people* For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous —1 *Pet* 3:12

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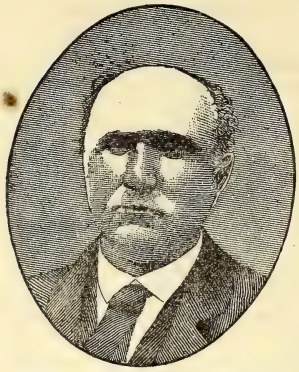


REV. ALFRED APPLE.

ALFRED APPLE was born December 10, 1812 in Guilford county, N. C. He was the great- grand-son of Adam Apple, who was reared and married in Germany. He professed faith in Christ and united with the Christian church at Apple's Chapel in 1831. In 1833 he joined the N. C. and Virginia Christian Conference, held at Kedar in Warren county, N. C. In 1835 at Pleasant Grove, Va., he was ordained an Elder in the Christian Church. In 1837 he married JANE BUTLER of Halifax county, Va. From the time of his ordaination to 1844 he traveled extensively in Virginia and North Carolina, preaching the Word. After this his work was that of a local pastor till 1883, when he became too feeble to take regular work. He preached occasionally. He was for 52 years a preacher of the Gospel and did a good work in his day. He died April 10, 1886. Sometime before his death he requested Rev. S. B. Klapp to preach his funeral sermon, which he did in Union church, Halifax county, Va., from Rev. 14:13. His body was laid away beside the body of Rev. Lewis Craven at Union.

At the grave, by special request of Bro. APPLE, the old hymn "Deliverance" was sung:

"I saw a way worn traveler,
In tattered garments clad,
And struggling up the mountain,
It seemed that he was sad.
I heard the song of triumph,
They sang upon the shore,
Saying, 'Jesus has redeemed us,
To suffer nevermore.'
Then casting his eyes backward,
On the race which he had run,
He shouted loud hosannah!
Deliverance has come."

IF God made the world, you need not fear that he can't take care of so small a part of it as yourself.—*Taylor.*

God can afford to wait; why cannot we, since we have him to fall back on?

What is Heaven?

"What is heaven?" I asked a litttle child:
"All joy" and in her innocence she smiled.

"I asked the aged, with her care oppressed;
"All suffering o'er, oh! heaven at last is rest."

I asked the artist who adored his art;
"Heaven is all beauty," spoke his raptured heart.

I asked the poet with his soul afire;
"Tis glory, glory," and he struck his lyre.

Aasked the Christian, waiting his release,
I halo round him; low he murmured "Peace."

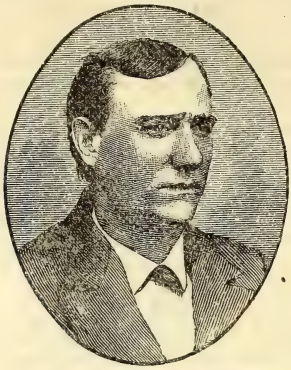
So all may look with hopeful eyes above—
'Tis beauty, glory, joy, rest, peace, and love.

Twenty "Froms."

Deliver us——
From jealousy.
From spite and hatred.
From a man-fearing spirit.
From a God-defying tendency.
From saints who tipple.
From snakes in the grass.
From wealth without sense.
From pedigrees without character.
From other people's secrets.
From flattering tongues.
From friends for convenience's sake.
From cotton string backbones.
From men with two faces.
From a dog that does not bark.
From pack-peddlers and pick-pockets.
From newspaper sells.
From a pin that has no point.
From puffing without stuffing.
From a needle that has no eye.
From broken diamonds.

Blame Me Not.—In the Cathedral at Lubeck hangs an ancient tablet with the inscription thus:

Christ our Lord speaks thus to us: Ye call me Master—and enquire not of me. Light—and look not on me. The Way—and follow me not. The Life—and desire me not. Beautiful—and love me not. Rich—and ask naught of me. Eternal—and seek me not. Merciful—and trust me not. Noble—and serve me not. Almighty—and honor me not. Just—and fear me not. If I condemn you—blame me not.



PROF. W. G. TOMER.

AUTHOR OF THE MUSIC "GOD BE WITH YOU," &c.

Ira D. Sankey uses this language concerning the music of the tune "God Be With You": "I consider the music of "God Be With You" one of the finest, (if not *the* finest,) Benediction compositions ever written. It will never become old." The composer of the music referred to by Sankey, is W. G. Tomer, now residing at Phillipsburg, N. J. He was born at Finesville in that State in 1831. He secured his education in music almost wholly without assistance; but has reached a high degree of popularity. He has taught school about fifteen years; enlisted as a private in the army in 1862, and was mustered out of service as confidential clerk to Major General O. O. Howard, commander of the 11th Army Corps; served several years as clerk in the Treasury Department at Washington, D. C.; was editor of the Phillipsburg *Daily News*, and later editor of a Prohibition paper at Clinton, N. J.

Mr. Tomer connected himself with the Finesville Christian Church under the pastoral labors of Rev. O. E. Morrill, who immersed him. He has always taken great interest in the principles and prosperity of the Christian Church, for which he has served as chorister, and for which he has produced some of his sweetest music.

L. W. Munhall places the name of Mr. Tomer in his list of the thirty six "prominet writers of Gospel Songs of the past twenty five years," in the preface to his new book, just published. Mr. Tomer's music has the quality especially of being *tuneful*, full of tune. People like to sing it; choirs turn to his pieces for relief, often, from the music that must be "beautifully sung," in order to seem beautiful, for Mr. Tomer's music has the very essence of tune in it. It is eminently music to sing.

Mr. Tomer himself is apparently in his very prime; of keen intellect; a fine conversationalist; an able newspaper man:—but his great ability is in music. He is full of it. Let any literary production breathing poetry, or devotion, come before his eye, and soon it flows to sweet sounds. Nearly all his work in music has sprung from his heart; and that may be in part the secret of his success. Music is his forte, and his whole time should be given to it; and nothing better could happen than for him to prepare a book for our Sunday Schools. J. J. SUMMERBELL.

GOD BE WITH YOU.

Rev. J. E. Rankin, D.D. W. G. Tomer.

1. God be with you till we meet again; By his council guide uphold you,
2. God be with you till we meet again, 'Neath his wings securely hide you;
3. God be with you till we meet again, When life's perils thick confound you;
4. God be with you till we meet again, Keep love's banner floating o'er you;

With his sheep securely fold you, God be with you till we meet again.
Dai - ly man-na still di - vide you, God be with you till we meet again.
Put his arms unfailing round you, God be with you till we meet again.
Smite death's threat'ning waves before you, God be with you till we meet again.

CHORUS.

Till we meet, till we meet, Till we meet at Je-sus' feet,
Till we meet, till we meet again, till we meet,

Till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.
Till we meet, till we meet again,

By per.

THE SON OF GOD.

ANTHEM.

Founded on the 4th and 5th verses of the 5th chapter of 1st John.

W. G. Tomer.

SOLO. Tutti.

For, whatso - ev - er is be - got-ten of God, For, whatso - ev - er is be-

got-ten of God, For, whatso -ev - er, what-so-ev - er, what-so - ev-er is be-

got - ten of God, O - ver - com-eth the world, the world, the

world, o - ver-com - eth the world, o - ver - com-eth the world, And

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this is the vic - to - ry, and this is the vic - to - ry, and

this . . . . is the vic - to - ry,

this is the vic- to - ry, and this is the vic- to - ry, and this is the vic- to-

ry that hath o - ver - come the world, e - ven our faith.

SOLO. Tutti.

Who is he that overcometh the world? Who is he that overcometh the world?

Who is he, who is he, that o-ver-

Who, who is he, who, who is he, who, who is he, who is he that o-ver-

148 THE SON OF GOD. Concluded.

com - eth the world, o - ver - com - eth the world. He that be-liev-eth,

He that believ-eth, He that believeth, He that believeth, He that believeth,

Recit. Recit.

That Jesus is the Son of God, That Jesus is the Son of God, The Son of
The Son

God, the Son of God, the Son of
of God, the Son of God, the Son of God, that Jesus is the Son of

God, A - men, A - men, A - men.
A - men, A - men, A - men.

SONG OF THE DECANTER.

There was an old decan-
ter, and its mouth was
gaping wide; the
rosy wine had
ebbed away,
and left
its crys-
tal side;
and the wind
went humming,
humming;
up and
down the
sides it flew;
and through the
reed like,
hollow neck
the wildest notes it
blew. I placed it on the
window, where the blast was
blowing free; and fancied that its
pale mouth sang the queerest strains
to me; "They tell me, puny con-
querors! the plague has slain his ten,
and war his hundred thousands of the
very best of men; but I"—'twas thus
the bottle spoke—"but I have conquered
more than all your famous conquerors, so
feared and famed of yore. Then come
ye youths and maidens, come drink from
out my cup, the beverage that dulls the
brain and burns the spirit up; that
puts to shame the conquerors that
slay their scores below; for this
has deluged millions with the
lava tide of woe. Though
in the path of battle dark-
est waves of blood may
roll, yet while I killed
the body, I have
damned the very
soul. The chol-
era, the
sword,
such ruin never
wrought as I, in
mirth or malice, on the
innocent have brought. And
still I breathe upon them, and they
shrink before my breath; and year by year
my thousands tread the dismal road to death.

THE EVENING LAMP. *

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How
sweet is
the time
when the
—Home—
Lamp is
lighted, and gath-
ered around it the
household so dear, from
school and from play and
from toil reunited, to rest till the
sand-man too soon will appear. Papa,
now enjoying his moments of leisure, in
slippers and easy chair drawn to the grate
is reading the THE SUN, and is beaming with
pleasure on loved little ones who can stay up till
eight.
Mamma,
0— —0
dressed
so neat-
ly, beside him is
knitting the cunning-
est socks for the baby's wee
feet; and, learning their lessons,
are quietly sitting the wisest of
scholars—the picture's complete. The
clock on the mantel chimes "eight."
Softly laying their playthings away and
with footsteps so light, the tots go with mam-
ma upstairs, sweetly saying, "I love oo,
dear papa, I kiss oo; good night!" The
clock chiming "nine" sends the wise
little scholars to rest busy brains
and in dreamland to stray, and
off go their shoes and their
jackets and collars
and lo! in a jiffy
they're sleep-
ing away.
Now mamma
and papa enjoy
the perfection of rest for the body
and peace for the mind, till the
lamp growing dim, is put out with affection,
and left all alone and in darkness enshrined.
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* Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.—*David.*

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

TWENTIETH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Virginia Valley Christian Conference.

ANTIOCH CHURCH, ROCKINGHAM COUNTY, VA.,
August 29, 30 and 31, 1889.

The Virginia Valley Christian Conference met here to-day in its twentieth annual session, and was called to order by the Secretary. The roll of ministers and churches was called, and the following were enrolled:

MINISTERS: Elder P. H Fleming; absent, Elder D. T. Deanes.
CHURCHES: *Antioch*—R. A. Henton and Jacob S. Kagey. *Linville*—Col. E. Sipe and Harvey Simmers. *Bethlehem*—Gideon Rosenberger and Adam Thomas. *Plains*—Samantha A. White. *Muddy Creek*—No delegate.

The first business being the election of a President, Elder P. H. Fleming was nominated and unanimously elected. Devotional exercises were led by Bro. Fleming.

On motion, Bro. J. S. Kagey was elected Assistant Secretary. The delivery of the annual address being the next business in order, was, on motion, postponed until 12 m. to morrow.

On motion, Rev. J. P. Barrett, editor of the SUN and member of the East Virginia Christian Conference, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member of this body, as was also Bros. D. F. Linaweaver and Jesse Burkholder, of Antioch church.

The schedule of last session for meeting and adjourning was, on motion, adopted for the present session, which is as follows: Meet at 9½ a. m., adjourn at 12 m.; meet at 1½ p. m. and adjourn at will

On motion of Bro. Sipe, the pastor and delegates of Antioch Church were constituted a committee on Religious Exercises. Reports from Fraternal Messengers to sister Conferences were called for.

Rev. P. H. Fleming attended the Central Virginia Conference and was much pleased. He also read a paper in which that body expressed a desire for a union with this.

On motion, Conference adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The President called the body to order, and Rev. J. P. Barrett preached from Psalms 17: 3.

On motion of Bro. C. A. Henton, Conference went into the election of Fraternal Messengers to sister Conferences, as follows:

To the North Carolina and Virginia Conference: Rev. P. H. Fleming and Bro. D. F. Linaweaver.

To the East Virginia Christian Conference: Bros. E. Sipe and Jacob S. Kagey

On motion, Conference elected as delegates to the General Convention, which meets at Franklin, Virginia, in May, 1890, Rev. P. H. Fleming and Bro. D. F. Linaweaver. A motion to pay eight dollars of Bro. Linaweaver's traveling expenses prevailed, which amount shall be raised by the churches, taking membership as a basis. The Executive Committee submitted the following report:

Your Executive Committee met on the 2d day of March, 1889, and transacted the following business: Rev. P. H. Fleming, a member of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference was received into this Conference.

The selection of some one to deliver the annual address, having been referred to your committee, we appointed Rev. P. H. Fleming. We also appointed Elder Fleming a Fraternal Messenger to the Central Virginia Conference. Also requested him to raise all the money he could for Home and Foreign Missions and for the education of young men preparing for the ministry. Adjourned with prayer by Bro. J. S. Kagey.

D. F. LINAWEAVER,
J. S. KAGEY,
J. D. HILLIARD,

An effort to raise funds to have the minutes published in the ANNUAL was deferred until later.

Conference adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. P. Barrett.

SECOND DAY.

The President called the body to order and led in devotional exercises.

The roll was called. The minutes of yesterday read, corrected and approved.

On motion of Bro. Sipe, Bros. Martin Strickler and G. W. Bothgeb, of the Central Virginia Christian Conference, were invited to seats as deliberative members.

On motion of Bro. J. J. Lincoln, of Bethlehem Church, this committee was invited to seats as deliberative members.

The report on Sabbath Schools was read, discussed by Rev. J. P. Barrett, Bros. Sipe and Lincoln, and referred to the committee for further consideration.

Rev. John Tamkins, of the Central Virginia Christian Conference arrived, and, on motion, was received into this body as a deliberative member. A vacancy occurring on the Committee on Temperance, Bro. C. H. Swank was supplied by the President.

The report on Temperance was read, discussed by Bros. Sipe, Linaweaver and Rev. J. P. Barrett, and, on motion, was tabled until the afternoon session, the time for the delivery of the annual address having arrived.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference resumed business.

The report on Temperance was again taken up and discussed by Rev. J. P. Barrett and Bro. Linaweaver, and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee, after much thought, observation and prayer upon the subject of temperance in all its varied aspects and relations to the individual, to the home, to the church and to the civil society have been enabled to conclude that alcoholic beverages are altogether evil and without a proper place to exist, and, therefore, the law and the gospel should combine to suppress its make, sale, use and distribution; and to such end all Christian people and good citizens should consistently labor; all citizens should vote, and the strong arm of the law should compel.

E. SIPE,
C. H. SWANK,
C. A. HENTON.

Ministerial reports were read from Elders P. H. Fleming and D. T. Deanes.

The following preamble and resolution was offered and adopted:

WHEREAS, We understand that a committee from the Central Virginia Christian Conference, is in waiting with a proposition from that body to this; therefore,

Resolved, That we now hear their proposition. Carried.

The committee, through their chairman, read the following:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE FROM CENTRAL VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE.

We, your committee, beg leave to report that we fully deplore the disunion that now exists between the two bodies, the Virginia Central and the Valley Christian Conferences, and in order to facilitate or bring about a union, and, as we conceive for the building up of the cause of Christ, recommend to this body that a committee be immediately appointed, which shall be instructed and empowered to make the following proposition to the Valley Christian Conference:

1. That we unite under the Declaration of Principles and Form of Government of the Christian Church as one Conference.
2. We suggest that the united body be called the Virginia Christian Conference.
3. If that name be not satisfactory, we authorize our committee to negotiate with the Valley Conference to adopt another.

JOHN TAMKIN,
G. W. BROWN,
M. STRICKLER.

On motion of Col. Sipe, the Chair was requested to appoint a committee of three to confer with the committee from the Central Virginia Christian Conference, and report on to-morrow at 11 o'clock.

The Committee on Sunday-schools made final report, which was adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

We, your Committee on Sunday schools, wish to submit the following:

We are glad to see that the churches in the Virginia Valley Christian Conference are still striving to assist in building up the cause of Christ, by their efforts put forth in the Sunday-school.

Since we deem the Sunday-school of vast importance in training the children for future usefulness in the church, we recommend:

1. That an effort be made to bring and to keep more of the children in school.
2. That we urge the members of the church to be more active in the Sunday-school work, and that we try to raise our Sunday-schools to a higher standard than that which they have occupied heretofore.

Looking to this end, we urge our Sunday-schools to use the International system of lessons as best adapted to our wants. With these we commend the use of the blackboard to accompany said lessons as published by Lauer & Yost, Cleveland, Ohio. We further ask this body to authorize the Sunday schools of the churches in this Conference to send at least the superintendent and one delegate to the Sunday-School Conventien our people are to hold in Leaksville, Page County, in June, 1890, believing that such a body among us, if well sustained, will do great good in practical y advancing the Sunday-school cause.

J. S. KAGEY,
E. SIPE.

On motion, Conference decided to have the Minutes published in the ANNUAL, and a draft was made on the Treasurer for $10 of the Home Mission Fund, the amount charged for printing one hundred copies, which are to be distributed among the different congregations.

On motion, Conference adjourned with prayer by Bro. Bothgeb.

THIRD DAY.

President in the chair. The roll was called, and the proceedings of yesterday read and approved.

The report on Education was offered, discussed by Bros. J. J. Lincoln, E. Sipe and Rev. J. P. Barrett, and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Education beg leave to submit, that this subject is demanding more attention now than at any former period of our history. In this advanced age the demand for general education is greater than in the past, and our people are waking up and making greater efforts in this direction. The old adge that "ignorance is bliss" should be hurled into oblivion, because it is apparent, that people who have the most knowledge, secured under the supervision of Christian influences, will do the most good, and be most useful in spreading the gospel.

It seems to be the great effort of our people to lay up money for their children, while it would be better to fill their minds with useful knowledge, and thereby prepare them for the various avocations of life In our Church, North and South, there are several institutions of learning well worthy of patronage. Among the number are: Antioch College, Rev. D. A. Long, D D., President; Graham College, Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., President, and Rev. J. U. Newman, Ph. D.; and Suffolk Collegiate Institute, under the supervision of Prof. P. J. Kernodle, A. M.

We are glad to say that work on Elon College is progressing, and calls loudly upon this Conference for aid. Brethren, let us help establish a college in the South for our cause. We feel it is the duty of those of our people who have children to send them to the Suffolk Collegiate Institute rather than send them to schools of other denominations, where the instruction given will not be mixed with sectarianism. We are very sure that our schools are adequate to suit our wants Then let us encourage them. Whatever moneys may be in the hands of the Treasurer, the committee would recommend to be turned over to the Treasurer of Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

J. LINCOLN,
E. SIPE,
C. H. HENTON

The committee on Home Missions offered the following, which was discussed by Rev. J. P. Barrett, Bros. Sipe, Linaweaver and J. S. Kagey, and tabled in order to give way to the special committee appointed to confer with the committee from the Central Virginia Christian Conference:

The committee offered the following, which was discussed by Revs. John Tamkins, J. P. Barrett, Bros. Sipe, Linaweaver, M. Strickler and the President, and adopted:

SPECIAL REPORT.

Your special committee to which was referred the accompanying resolutions of the Central Virginia Christian Conference, unanimously adopted at its late session, held at Ingham, Page county, Virginia, with reference to the reunion of the two Conferences, known respectively as Central Christian Conference of Virginia and Valley Virginia Christian Conference, and prior to 1869 constituting one body known as Valley Virginia Christian Conference, and presented to your body by its special committee Rev. J. Tamkin, George W Brown and deacon Martin Strickler, fully empowered to treat with your body on the subject and terms of reunion, do recommend that the propositions as contained in first and second sections of said resolutions be and hereby are accepted by the Valley, Virginia, Christian Conference, and hail with delight the prospects of complete restoration to unity, of purposes, methods and energies in the work of our common Lord and Master, and do invoke the blessings of Almighty God to rest upon our future united work. And we do further recommend, in order to consummate so desirable an end, that a committee of three of this Conference be constituted to convey these proceedings to the next session of the Central Virginia Christian Conference, held at Timber Ridge Church, Hampshire County, West Virginia, and in the event said proceedings are ratified by said Central Conference, that the duly elected delegates from the several churches of this body be received by the united body.

E. SIPE,
C. A. HENTON,
G. ROSENBERGER.

The report on Home Missions was again taken up and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Home Missions wish to report: Since the future success of this Conference depends largely upon its Home Mission work, we regard Home Missions as one of the most important works of the Conference. During the year $23.30 have been collected for Home Missions. Realizing the importance of Home Mission work, we recommend the following assessments for this year: Antioch, $15; Bethlehem, $15; Linville, $7.50.

J. S. KAGEY,
C. H. SWANK,
D. F. LINAWEAVER.

The report on Religious Literature was submitted, discussed by Bro. J. J. Lincoln, Revs. John Tamkins and J. P. Barrett, and adopted, as follows:

Your committee submit that while we are a highly favored people, and have opportunity to keep abreast with the work of the church by subscribing for, and reading the CHRISTIAN SUN, edited by Rev. J. P. Barrett, of Raleigh, N. C., and the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*, published by the Church North, would recommend that an effort now be put forth to secure subscribers to one or both. Your committee feel it their duty to insist that members of the church should subscribe for the organ of their church. That we should spare no pains in trying to prevent our children from reading such literature as will be calculated to lead them from the path of virtue. We would recommend also, that every family procure a copy of the Principles and Form of Government of the Christian Church or a hymn book, and fit themselves for greater usefulness in the work of the church, and assist in the song services.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. HENTOM,
E. SIPE,
J. D. HILLIARD.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The President in the chair.

The Treasurer made the following report:

I hold in my keeping, subject to order of Conference, Home Mission funds placed in my hands on and before the close of the Conference year of 1887 and 1888	$49 70
For educational purposes for 1887–'8	2 00
August 31st 1889, received of Antioch Church for Home Missions	13 42
" " from Antioch for Foreign Missions	2 74
" " received from Linville for Home Missions	3 30
" " received from Bethlehem Church for Home Missions	7 54
Total	$78 70

On motion, a copy of the annual address was requested of Bro. Fleming for publication in the SUN.

On motion, a committee consisting of Col. E. Sipe, C. A. Henton and G. Rosenberger was appointed by the chair to meet with the Central Virginia Christian Conference at Timber Ridge Church at its next annual sitting, and, if possible, ratify the proposed union.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Revision was taken up, read by sections and adopted.

The President, Rev. P. H. Fleming, having previously notified the churches that he would resign his charge in this Conference, Col. Sipe moved that Rev. J. P. Barrett mention some available minister or ministers. Carried.

Bro. Barrett named Rev. M. W. Butler,* of Waverly, Va.

On motion, the Secretary was authorized to write Bro Butler, and if his services could not be had to try some one else.

*NOTE.—Bro. Butler declined the call and the Rev. J. A. Scott, of the Deep River (N. C.) Conference was called. He has accepted and entered upon the work.—ED. ANNUAL.

The committee appointed to inquire into the advisability of purchasing Soliloquy Church, submit that after investigation they think it inexpedient to purchase the church house. Bro. J. J. Lincoln offered the following:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due and are tendered to the neighbors and friends of Antioch church for their kindness and hospitality during the sitting of this body.

The following resolution of thanks was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the law of equity demands from this body a resolution of thanks to Rev. P. H. Fleming for his faithful administrations during the past year, believing that the peace and harmony that prevails is largely due to his wise counsel and watchful care of the flock. We sincerely regret that he cannot remain with us longer, as the vacancy will be difficult to fill. We bid him God speed in his new field of labor, praying God to bless him both spiritually and temporally.

The Chair appointed the following standing committees:

Executive.—Col. E. Sipe, C. A. Henton and J. D. Hilliard.
Home Missions.—D. F. Linaweaver, J. S. Kagey and Gideon Rosenberger.
Education—J. J. Lincoln, R. A. Henton and Harvey Simmers.
Temperance—Col. E. Sipe, C. H. Swank and C. A. Henton.
Sunday-schools.—J. S. Kagey, J. J. Lincoln and Madison Thomas.
Religious Literature.—J. J. Lincoln, D. F. Linaweaver and R. A. Henton.

Col. Sipe offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That in the event, anything should defeat the holding of the next Virginia Conference as a reunited body, that this body will meet with the church at Bethlehem at the usual time.

Adopted.
Conference adjourned.

P. H. FLEMING, *President.*

C. A. HENTON, *Secretary.*
J. S. KAGEY, *Assistant Secretary.*

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

P. H. FLEMING:—Had pastoral charge of Antioch, Linville and Bethlehem; preached some at Plains and Muddy Creek; visited as Fraternal Messenger the Central Virginia Christian Conference; worked in Sunday schools and prayer-meetings; preached seventy five sermons, two funeral sermons, married two couples; salary $347 and board.

D. T. DEANES:—Have preached but little—throat is improving. Have visited the Deep River Conference on a preaching tour. May the Spirit guide you in all your work for the good of the church.

PITHY POINTS.

"Beware of a silent dog."

"The sting of reproach is the truth of it."

"Envy shoots at others and wounds herself."

"Vows made in storms are forgotten in calms."

"Zeal without knowledge is like fire without light."

"What we call time enough always proves little enough."

"A little seeing saves much looking, a little speaking saves much talking."

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference,

IN ITS FORTY-FIFTH SESSION.

BEULAH, CHAMBERS COUNTY, ALA.,
October 3, 1889.

The Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference met here to-day in its forty-fifth session. The house was called to order by the President of last session. The Secretary being absent, Assistant Secretary filled the vacancy.

ORDAINED MINISTERS—*Present:* J. D. Elder, T. H. Elder, M. F. Lett and W. R. Knight. *Absent:* Jubilee Smith, C. M. Dollar, M. D. Chewning and G. M. Hurst. LICENTIATES—*Present:* J. W. Elder, H. W. Elder, George W. Hunt and W. I. Manning. *Absent:* W. G. Hurst.

Rev. C. M. Dollar being absent, the Chair appointed a committee, consisting of Joseph Stevens, Sr., L. Mooney and E M. Gay, to arrange for the Introductory Sermon; and, on motion, Conference adjourned to hear the Introductory Sermon by Rev. J. W. Holt, of North Carolina.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference opened by singing and prayer. Proceeded to permanent organization, which resulted as follows: Rev. T. H. Elder, President; Rev. H. M. Abercrombie, Vice-President; Rev. H. W. Elder, Secretary; J. W. Manning, Assistant Secretary.

Rev. J. W. Holt, from the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference, and Rev. W. W. Staley, of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, were invited as Fraternal Messengers to sit with us. They responded most appropriately with fraternal greetings.

CHURCHES—*New Hope:* Joseph Stevens, Jr., T. J. Burton, R. S. Nichols, Joseph Stevens, Sr., Dr. Wm. M. Gay and Dr. W. T. Hodge. *New Harmony:* D. E. Knight and C. W. McMickle. *Beulah:* E. M. Gay, J. M. Welch, A. J. Hand and J. S. Scott. *Macedonia:* J. W. Elder, Sr. *Rock Spring:* J. C. Dollar. *Christiana:* ———. *Providence:* ———. *Antioch:* D. M. C. Payne, F. R. Roberts. *Pleasant Grove:* J. B. Walls, J. D. Patterson, Albert Johnson and Louis Mooney.

Bethel Church, Morgan County, Ala., was received as a member of the Georgia and Alabama Conference.

On motion, it was decided to adjourn at will and meet at 9 a. m.

The deacons and delegates of Beulah Church were appointed to arrange for preaching.

On motion, Conference adjourned until Friday at 9 a. m.

SECOND DAY—OCTOBER 4, 1889.

Conference opened with the President in the chair. Minutes of the preceding day read and approved, and reports were called for.

STANDING OF THE MINISTRY.—We beg leave to report on Standing of the Ministry, that after inquiring to the best of our ability, we find that our ministerial brethren are sober, upright, and the most of them doing, seemingly, the best they can under the circumstances. We are sorry to say some of our ministers are on the stool of do-nothing, comparatively speaking. We greatly feel the need of an educated ministry. The time is coming, and we might say is here, when we should strive to elevate the standard of our ministry. Other denominations are up and doing on this question, and as we think we are built upon the first name given to His disciples, we must educate our ministers, that they may be able to demonstrate those precious and God-given truths to a thirsting people. We feel and know, that without an educated ministry we cannot unfold the truths of the Bible, which we take as our guide.

WM. M. GAY.

STANDING OF CHURCHES.—We, your Committee on Standing of Churches, beg leave to report the following: We find all the churches in good standing, as far as our knowledge extends.

Very respectfully submitted, D. E. KNIGHT.

On motion, the Conference gave way to preaching, and Rev. J. W. Holt preached a sermon on "The Principles of the Christian Church."

AFTERNOON SESSION.

House called to order by the President.

TEMPERANCE.—We, your Committee on Temperance, beg leave to report the following: We feel that we have reason to hope that temperance in our midst is strengthening to some extent. We know of but one town in our county where whiskey is sold, and that the gambling houses of our great State are being closed by our laws; and we do hope the time is not far distant when vinous or malt liquors will not be used or sold in our State, only as a medicine. While the great public mind is being agitated upon this subject, let us, as brethren, show, by adopting this report, that we are with the wise of the land, and, when we get a chance, to remove it from our land as a beverage. We feel it our duty, as Christians, to take the moral side of every question which may arise, especially upon the above issue, for which we believe God will bless us abundantly. We recommend that the ministers preach temperance everywhere they may go, that they may save souls from degradation in life, and from eternal misery and woe in the life beyond.

We further wish to say, that more of our young brethren are quitting this poisonous drink than ever before known, and we thank God for it; and we would urge the brethren who have families to teach temperance in their homes, and God will bless you in this world and in the world to come.

Respectfully submitted, WM. M. GAY.

EDUCATION.—We, your Committee on Education, beg leave to submit the following: There is a deplorable ignorance throughout our Conference, and we surely feel the need of a greater effort on the part of this, the Georgia and Alabama Conference, to raise the standard of education to a higher plane.

There are but few of our people striving to rise above the rudimentary elements of education. Many churches cannot officer themselves efficiently.

We recommend the establishment of a high school in the bounds of this Conference as early as possible. In the meantime, let us patronize Suffolk Collegiate Institute, Virginia, and Graham College, North Carolina.

We would urge upon the members of this Conference to devise some plan by which to assist our young ministers who are studying for the ministry to fully prepare themselves for the work. We have young men in this Conference who, if we will help to fully develop their mental faculties, will be bright, shining lights in this part of the field, but who, unassisted, will never be able to develop their minds properly. J. W. MANNING.

On motion, Conference adjourned until Saturday morning at 9 o'clock. Sermon by Rev. W. W. Staley.

THIRD DAY—OCTOBER 5, 1889.

Conference opened by singing and prayer.

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.—We, your Committee on Sunday-Schools, beg leave to report the following: We find some of our churches pushing forward in this work, while others are doing nothing for the glorious cause. Our ministers are not doing what they should in this work, and we hope that each pastor will try to encourage his churches in this grand cause. We believe that every community should have a Sunday-school, but we don't have them, because our people have not realized the good they may accomplish, and the weighty responsibility resting upon them as God's workmen. Brethren, we hope that our people may become aroused upon this glorious theme. J. W. ELDER, SR.

PERIODICALS.—We, your Committee on Periodicals, beg leave to report the following: We recommend the CHRISTIAN SUN, published at Raleigh, N. C., by Rev. J. P. Barrett, as our denominational paper. We most earnestly request our people of this Conference to subscribe for the SUN. It is the exponent of our doctrine, and we ought to support it. T. J. BURTON.

HOME MISSIONS.—We, your Committee on Home Missions, beg leave to submit the following: We, as a committee, feel that our prosperity as a denomination greatly depends on a Home Mission fund. Were the principles of the Christian Church better known, our prosperity would greatly advance After a careful inquiry, we find that the churches are waking up to a sense of their duties, and we hope in the near future that all the churches belonging to this Conference will awake, see and realize the benefit of a Home Mission to such an extent that they will go to work for that cause. Brethren, we therefore urge that the ministry advocate it until the laity become more vigilant, active and earnest in the matter. J. H. STEVENS, JR.

EXAMINATION.—We, your Committee on Examination for ordination, beg leave to report the following: Having examined J. W, and H. W. Elder, we find from their standing and ready answers to all questions, that they ought to be ordained to the ministry. We therefore, recommend them to this body for ordination.

H. M. ABERCROMBIE,
M. F. LETT,
W. R. KNIGHT.

Adjourned for preaching by Rev. W. W. Staley.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

House called to order by the President.
Resolution offered:

Resolved, That we as a Conference obligate ourselves to raise $100, Home Mission fund, by our next annual meeting; and that this fund shall be proportioned out among the several churches composing this body. We furthermore ask the pastors of the several churches to take it upon themselves to see that this fund is collected and remitted to this body at its next meeting. H. W ELDER.

New Hope, $31; Pleasant Grove, $13.50; Rock Spring, $8.60. Bethel, $2; Christiana, $4.80; New Harmony, $4.80; Antioch, $8.40; Beulah, $12.50; Providence, $14.40; Macedonia, $2.
Unanimously adopted.
On motion, Rock Spring church letter was received and read.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—We, your committee, have but two items of business, that claim our attention since our last sitting. First, is the case of B. Busby, who was licensed to preach, but when Beulah Church began to take action against him, he sent his license back to the church. Second, Bro George Hunt was recommended to us last summer for license, which was granted. We ask you to ratify the same, which was done. J. D. ELDER.

Ministerial reports were read, as follows:

C. M. DOLLAR.—I have been in bad health, consequently my labors have been very limited. I have had care of Antioch church and have preached at other places. Have preached about twenty-five sermons, delivered several exhortations, preached one funeral discourse, married three couples, traveled about one hundred and fifty miles and received $9.75. God be praised for his goodness and mercies toward me.

[NOTE.—Let the prayers of God's people go up that Bro. Dollar may yet be able to do much good in the service of God. H. W. E.]

J. W. ELDER.—I have preached nineteen sermons, delivered twelve exhortations, worked in prayer-meetings and Sabbath-schools as much as possible, married one couple. Let God be praised for his goodness.

H. M. ABERCROMBIE.—I have served as pastor of Bethel Church this year. I have preached at Christiana and Flat Rock in protracted meetings, assisted in Sabbath school, married two couples, received two into the church, and the Lord has blessed me many times, for which he is worthy of all praise.

M. F. LETT.—I have preached all I could at our churches, preached at several school houses, assisted in several protracted meetings, worked in Sabbath-schools and prayer-meetings, delivered several exhortations, married two couples. Brethren, I have done the best I could. I believe my labors have been blessed to some extent this year. Brethren, pray God that my spiritual strength may be renewed. To God be all be praise for evermore

J. L. NEESE.—I have had charge of Macedonia Church since Christmas, have held regular monthly meetings and there is much interest manifested in our principles. The future is filled with good prospects for our cause. I have received four into the fellowship of the church. I have preached as often as the opportunity afforded itself, married one couple. Done the best I could under the circumstances, and to God be all the praise.

T. H. ELDER.—I have served Pleasant Grove as pastor this year and preached at other places when my health would admit of it. I received eight into the church, baptized five and married five couples. I have traveled seven hundred miles. I don't know how many sermons I have preached, and to God be all the glory. Pray for me.

H. W. ELDER.—I have preached twenty sermons, delivered forty exhortations, superintended one Sunday-school, worked the most of the year in two prayer meetings, taught literary school nine months, worked in protracted meetings and worked up several new points. I feel that God has blessed all my efforts abundantly, and to his name be all honor and power.

JUBILEE SMITH.—My labors have been confined to Providence Chapel and Liberty, the latter located in Terrell County, Georgia, which I constituted the latter part of last year. There have been four additions to Providence since last Conference, and three to the church at Liberty. I have held two protracted meetings at Providence and one at Liberty. There was much good done at both places. I have been preaching with the United Baptist, and I hope to get enough of them with us to have a Conference here before long. My congregations are large everywhere. I have been preaching in Marion County, at Draineville to good effect I have been prompt in my appointments and have had no disappointments. I have married two couples, etc May the good Lord bless you all in your efforts to do good, is the prayer of your unworthy brother.

J. D. ELDER.—I have served as pastor at New Hope, Beulah, Rock Spring and New Harmony, and have held protracted meetings at all of them; have preached one hundred and twelve sermons, delivered twenty-nine exhortations, received fifty-four, baptized twenty-six, married twelve couples, preached eight funerals and traveled eleven hundred miles. This has been the busiest year of my ministry, and there has been more pressing calls than in any year of my life, and many of the wayside places have been filled to good acceptance. I have many reasons to be thankful to our Heavenly Father for His goodness towards me. Amen.

G. D. HUNT.—Since I have been licensed I have delivered two exhortations, and conducted five prayer-meetings. I have been laboring in Sunday-school, and also in an union prayer meeting. I feel my efforts have been blessed. Pray for me.

The following sums were handed in for the ANNUAL AND ALMANAC: New Hope, $5.05; Beulah, $3.75; Pleasant Grove, $4.10; Christiana, $1.50; Macedonia, $1.25; New Harmony, $1.30; Antioch, $2.00; Rock Spring, $.....

Rev. J. D. Elder was elected to attend the General Convention, which meets in Franklin, Va., in May, 1890.

The Committee on Ordination proceeded to ordain J. W. and H. W. Elder to the ministry of the gospel.

Thanks were tendered to the people of Beulah for the hospitable manner in which the visiting friends were entertained.

On motion, the Conference adjourned until Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1890. T. H. ELDER, *President.*

H. W. ELDER, *Secretary.*

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES AND PASTORS.	No. last report.	Received since.	Dismissed.	Withdrawn.	Died.	Expelled.	Whole number.	No. in S. School.	Amount paid Pastor.	Other Purposes.	Totals.	Value of Church Property.
New Hope, J. D. Elder	250	29	2	...	...	4	278	60	75 00	44 50	119 50	2,000
Antioch, C. M. Dollar	85	.....	2	5	...	7	71	13	9 75	2 10	11 85	575
Macedonia, J. L. Neese.	9	4	...	...	...	...	13	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Beulah, J. D. Elder	99	11	3	...	...	2	103	...	50	4	54	700
New Harmony, J. D. Elder	24	13	...	...	...	1	33	...	23 25	3	25 25	100
Bethel, H. M. Abercrombie	.....	13	...	..	1	...	13	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Christiana, G. M. Hurst	40	6	...	16	...	...	30	...	.....	.....	.....	250
Pleasant Grove, T. H. Elder	73	8	3	1	...	15	79	...	19 25	5	24 25	300
Rock Spring, J. D. Elder	50	4	...	...	...	2	52	...	35 00	.....	35 00	400

PITHY POINTS.

"A friend is ealier lost than found."

"A careless watchman invites thieves."

"A freethinker is Satan's bondsman."

"A fine bonnet may cover an empty head."

"A blustering fellow is apt to be a coward."

"A borrower is another name for a beggar."

"A bad servant will not make a good master."

"A wise head is all the better for a close mouth."

"A great talker is rarely or never a great thinker."

"A clear understanding will prevent much quarreling."

"A clear head is desirable; but a clean heart is essential."

"A fool is none the wiser for having had a learned grandfather."

"A carnal heart cannot like truth, because it is not like truth."

"A clear conscience is a coat of mail, and makes a soft pillow."

"A cripple on the right road is better than a racer on the wrong."

"As a jewel of gold in a swine's snout so is a fair woman without discretion."

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Twenty-Fifth Annual Session

OF THE

Deep River Christian Conference.

PLEASANT RIDGE, N. C.,
October 9, 1889.

The Conference met here to-day at 12 m., and was called to order by the President, W. R. Brown.

Religious exercises conducted by Rev. W. B. Richardson.

The roll of ministers and churches was called, with the following results:

ELDERS PRESENT—W. B. Richardson, W. R. Brown, H. A. Albright, S. H. Way, E. H. Jarrell, J. A. Webster.

CHURCHES—*Pleasant Grove:* C. H. Webster, L. M. Lowdermilk and J. M. Marley. *Park's Cross Roads:* J P. Stout, M. V. Brooks. *Smithwood:* P. C. Humble. *Pleasant Ridge:* Bethel Cox, A. J. York. *New Center:*———. *New Bear Creek:* ———. *Brown's Chapel:* Andrew Saunders, James A. Morgan. *Shady Grove:* Hiram Freeman, D. W. Cochran. *Shiloh:*———. *Antioch:* J. M. Fox. *Staley* ———. *Christian Union:* Wm. Cagle. *Patterson's Grove:* M. E. Hammer, B. F. Hardin. *Pleasant Cross:* J. M. Pugh, J. A. Hinson. *Union Grove:* E. C. Phillips. *Big Oak:* Haywood Morgan, James B. Morgan. *St. John's:* Meltou H. Burns.

A quorum being present, the President announced the first business to be the election of new officers.

Rev. H. A. Albright was elected President, Rev. W. R. Brown Vice-President, and Bro. J. N. Cagle Standing Secretary.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That this body meet at 9 a. m., adjourn at 11 a. m. for preaching, adjourn at 12 m. for dinner, resume business at 1 p. m., and adjourn at will.

Conference adjourned till to-morrow at 9 a. m. Religious exercises, conducted by Rev. E. H. Jarrell.

SECOND DAY—OCTOBER 10, 1889.

Conference called to order by the Vice-President. Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. J. A. Webster.

Delegates were enrolled from the following churches:

New Hope—Misses Melissa Lowdermilk and Loretta Johnson. *Shiloh*—B. S. Moffitt and James S. Fesmire. *Smithwood*—Preston T. Way.

On motion, Preston T. Way was elected Assistant Secretary, and, in the absence of Bro. Cagle, took his seat as Recording Secretary of Conference. Bro. Welch, who had taken the minutes of Conference thus far, handed his pen to Bro. Way.

Elders H. T. Moffitt, W. W. Hayworth, J. A. Scott, W. M. Craven and J. S. Lawrence, arrived, were excused for tardiness, and took their seats.

Bro A. J. Staley, of the M. P. church, was invited to a seat as an honorary member.

Rev. J. A. Scott was elected to deliver the annual address before the next sitting of this body.

On motion, Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, and President of Elon College, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member. Bro. Long accepted with encourging remarks.

Motion to select a place at this hour to hold our next annual session was lost, and a motion, postponing the matter till to-morrow at 1 p. m., was carried.

Church reports called for, and read from Pleasant Grove, St. John's, Pleasant Cross, Antioch and Union Grove.

The excuses of those delegates who were tardy were heard, and, on motion, accepted.

Moved that a committee of three be appointed for the purpose of selecting Fraternal Messengers to our sister Conferences. The motion was lost, and the matter left with the Conference. The body then elected Revs. W. R. Brown, John S. Lawrence and H. T. Moffitt, Fraternal Messengers to the North Carolina and Virginia Conference.

Reading of church reports resumed, and were heard from Shiloh, Big Oak, Shady Grove, Park's Cross-Roads and Patterson's Grove.

Conference adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order. President in the chair.

Ministerial reports were read from Revs. E. H. Jarrell, W. B. Richardson, J. A. Webster, S. H. Way, W. W. Hayworth, J. S. Lawrence, W. R. Brown, H. T. Moffitt, J. A. Scott and H. A. Albright.

On motion, Rev. John W. Patton, of the Eastern Virginia Conference, was invited to a seat in this body as a deliberative member. Bro. Patton responded in a brief but very acceptable manner.

The Executive Committee offered the following petitions:

To the Deep River Christian Conference—Greeting:

The Macedonia Church, Randolph County, N. C., organized September 28, 1889, adopted the principles of the *Christians*, and pray to be admitted into your body as a member of the same. Have eighteen members Deacons, Hillery Haddock, Edwin Smith; Secretary, Levi Tucker; Collector, Eunice Smith.

J. A. SCOTT,
H. A. ALBRIGHT.

Approved October 9, 1889.

To the Deep River Christian Conference—Greeting:

The church at Mt. Union, Moore County, N. C., organized September 11, 1889, adopting the principles of the Christian Church, pray to be admitted as a member into your body. Have twenty-eight members. Deacons, James Martindale and Robert Phillips; Secretary, Samuel Washburn; Collector, Annie Foushee.

J. A. SCOTT,
H. A. ALBRIGHT.

Approved October 9, 1889.

Discussed by Revs. J. S. Lawrence, W. S. Long, D. D., W. R. Brown J. A. Scott, H. A. Albright and others, and was adopted without a dissenting vote.

On motion, the delegates from the two above new churches were enrolled as follows: *Mt. Union.*—Stephen T. Phillips, J. B. Nall. *Macedonia.*—Chas. H. Smith, J. M. Lewellen.

The Executive Committee offered their report, which, after some discussion, was referred back to the committee for amendments.

Bro. Hugh A. Moffitt, from Staley, arrived and was enrolled.

Conference adjourned till to morrow at 9 a. m.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. W. S. Long, D. D.

THIRD DAY.—OCTOBER 11, 1889.

Conference called to order by President H. A. Albright. Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. S. H. Way. Quorum present.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Rev. W. W. Staley, of the Eastern Virginia Conference, and President of the Southern Christian Convention, was invited to a seat in this body as a deliberative member. Bro. Staley took the floor for a short time, accepting the invitation, and presenting the fraternal feelings of the Eastern Virginia brethren in a very forcible manner.

A resolution, restricting the pastoral charges of this Conference in a certain degree, was tabled.

The following was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That all persons addressing this body shall rise and address the chair as "Mr. President." J. A. SCOTT.

B. S. Scott, delegate from Union Grove, arrived and was enrolled.

Report of the Committee on Temperance was called for, and read, as follows:

Your Committee on Temperance would report that:

WHEREAS, Intemperance is one of the greatest curses of our land, both in church and State, interfering with our highest interests, socially, morally and religiously, and seeing that drunkenness leads to everlasting destruction from the presence of God and from the glory of his power; therefore,

Resolved, That we as a Conference will use our influence to suppress the manufacturing, sale and use of intoxicating liquors, and will endeavor to instil the principles of sobriety into the minds of our children; and that we will present the teachings of the Bible on this line, both from our pulpits and in our Sabbath schools, and endeavor to show by our daily walk that we practice what we preach.

Resolved, further, That we advise our churches not to fellowship any one who aids or abets in the manufacturing and sale of intoxicants, or any one who uses them as an article of entertainment.

Resolved, finally, That all our ministers in charge be requested to preach one sermon on the evils of intemperance at each of their churches.

W. B. RICHARDSON,
E. H. JARRELL,
J. A. WEBSTER,
HIRAM FREEMAN.

Discussed by Revs. W. W. Staley, W. S. Long, D. D., W. B. Richardson, J. A. Scott, H. A. Albright, and was adopted.

Rev. W. W. Lawrence appeared and took his seat.

Conference then adjourned for preaching, and Rev. J. W. Patton, of the Eastern Virginia Conference, delivered a very able and instructive sermon, from Luke xix: 13: "Occupy till I come."

Conference was called to order, and then adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Singing by the choir, led by Miss Ida Pickard, of Smithwood.

Business resumed. President in the chair.

On motion, leave of absence was granted the delegates from Pleasant Grove, Mt. Union and Patterson's Grove.

At the request of the church, the name of Staley Chapel was changed to Staley.

Moved, that the time for the sitting of this body be changed from Wednesday before the Second Sunday in October to Thursday before the second Sunday in November. Discussed and carried.

Delegate from Macedonia was excused.

Church reports were handed to the Secretary and read from Smithwood, New Center, Brown's Chapel, Christian Union and Pleasant Ridge.

A letter from Rev. B. F. Howard, a licentiate from this Conference, now in Texas, was read, and, on motion, President Albright was instructed to correspond with said brother.

The Committee on Sabbath-schools offered their report, which was discussed by Revs. W. S. Long, D. D., W. W. Staley, S. H. Way, W. W. Hayworth, and adopted, as follows:

We, your Committee on Sabbath-schools, respectfully report that the Sunday-school work is encouraging in our bounds. About all of our churches have Sabbath-schools. The churches that have good schools are the most prosperous. This proves the benefit of said schools. Then, brethren, we urge that all lay hold of this work with more zeal, and make it what it ought to be, as it is a work in which all can engage.

We earnestly recommend that all of our schools be represented in the Convention. We ask the various schools to look after this in their elections, and see that their delegates do attend said Convention. Also, those in their sections who do not attend Sabbath-school, and try to influence them to attend.

We recommend our Quarterlies, published by our publishing house at Dayton, Ohio.

Vocal music is an important feature in the Sabbath-school, and should receive more attention, as we find that it is neglected in some of our schools. This is very essential to make such a school progressive.

W. W. HAYWORTH,
S. H. WAY,
E. H. JARRELL.

The report on Foreign Missions was called for and read, and referred back to the committee.

The Executive Committee offered their final report, which was adopted, as follows:

According to instruction of Conference last year, your committee met November 10, 1889, to investigate the case of Bro. Z. T. Bell. After mature deliberation, we decided not to license him. We further decided to inform certain churches that it was their duty to secure the services of an ordained minister as pastor.

Respectfully submitted,
J. A. SCOTT,
H. A. ALBRIGHT,
W. W. LAWRENCE.

The following resolution was read, discussed, and adopted:

Resolved, That any minister of the gospel taking charge of a church or churches in the Deep River Conference, be requested to join our Conference; and any minister of the Deep River Conference taking charge of a church or churches in any other Conference, be requested to join the Conference in which he takes work.

H. T. MOFFITT.

Conference then adjourned till to-morrow at 9 a. m. Religious exercises by Rev. W. W. Staley.

FOURTH DAY—OCTOBER 12, 1889.

Conference called to order. Religious exercises were conducted.

Bro. Preston T. Way being absent, Bro. J. N. Cagle, the Standing Secretary, who had just arrived, took the seat of Secretary, and Conference proceeded to business.

Rev. M. S. Elliott having asked a letter of transfer from this Conference to the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, the request was granted, and the Secretary authorized to prepare and deliver said letter.

Bro. Way arrived and took his seat.

The roll was called, and the minutes of the preceding day were read and approved.

Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., editor of the CHRISTIAN SUN, arrived, and was invited to a seat as a deliberative member, whereupon the Doctor took the floor and accepted the invitation in his own good way.

Moved that Conference now enter into the election of delegates to the General Convention of the Christian Church, South, which meets in Franklin, Virginia, next May. Carried.

This Conference being entitled to two Elders and one layman as delegates in said Convention, the following were elected: Elders J. S. Lawrence and W. W. Hayworth; layman, Prof. E. L. Moffit.

Rev. O. Rider, of the M. E. Church, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member. Bro. Rider accepted.

The report on Foreign Missions came up, was discussed by Revs. W. B. Richardson, H. T. Moffit, W. W. Hayworth and J. P. Barrett, D. D., and adopted, as follows:

Your committee to whom was referred the subject of Foreign Missions, feeling the great importance of this cause, recommend that the churches below named raise the sums set opposite their names. We further recommend, that the pastor preach a sermon at each church on the subject of Foreign Missions, and see that the said sums be duly collected, and that the funds thus raised be paid into the treasury of this Conference at its next sitting.

Churches and sums to be collected; Brown's Chapel, $1.50; Antioch, $1.00; Pleasant Grove, $250; Park's Cross-Roads, $2.50; Smithwood, $1.25; Staley, $1.00; Pleasant Ridge, $2 00; Pleasant Cross, $1.00; Union Grove, $2.00; New Center, $1.50; Christian Union, $1.00; Shady Grove, $1.75; Big Oak, $1.50; St. John's, $1.00; Patterson's Grove, $1 00; Macedonia. $1.00; Mt Union, $1.00.

Respectfully submitted,

H. T. MOFFITT,
H. A. ALBRIGHT,
H. J. MORGAN.

The Committee on Religious Literature reported as follows:

Your Committee on Religious Literature beg leave to submit the following report:

WHEREAS, The kind of literature we read has very much to do with shaping our christian character:

Therefore, we advise our people to read and study the Bible, and take it for the rule, both of their faith and practice. Next to the Bible read Commentaries, which explain it. We recommend that our ministers be required to preach a sermon at each church of which they may have charge, on the importance of a careful reading of the word of God.

The CHRISTIAN SUN, published at Raleigh, N. C., and edited by Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., is an exponent of our principles, and deserves a liberal support.

"Facing the Truth" by Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., and the "Five Cardinal Principles," by Rev. M. L. Hurley are good books, and we recommend them to our people for a careful reading.

We also recommend our Sunday-school literature printed at Dayton, Ohio, for the use of our Sabbath-schools.

W. B. RICHARDSON,
E. C. PHILLIPS,
BETHUEL COX.

Able speeches were heard from Revs. W. B. Richardson, H. T. Moffitt, W. W. Staley, J. P. Barrett, D. D. and W. S. Long, D. D., after which the above report was adopted.

Moved that Dr. Long be allowed time to present the claims of Elon College at this hour. Motion lost.

On motion, Dr. Long was given time during the afternoon session to present the claims of the College, and Conference adjourned for preaching.

Rev. W. W. Staley then preached an able sermon from John iv: 38: "Other men labored, and ye have entered into their labors."

Conference called to order and adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Singing by the choir, led by Prof. Cochran.

Conference called to order.

Rev. W. B. Richardson and Bro. Melton M. Burns were excused.

Dr. Long then presented the claims of the College in a very earnest and forcible manner.

Report on Home Missions called for and read, as follows:

We your Committee on Home Missions submit the following report:

We believe that Home Missions is one of the most important subjects that comes before this body, and seemingly has been neglected to a great extent. We therefore urge a more liberal support by our Conference in the future, and that each pastor take up public collections each quarter for Missions.

We are sorry to report that this Conference has no successful plan for raising Mission funds at present. We are aware that this Conference must have more money for Missions before it can meet with success.

W. R. BROWN,
P. C. HUMBLE,
C. H. WELCH,
D. W. COCHRAN.

Discussed and adopted.

Conference decided to have the minutes published in the ANNUAL, and funds were raised for that purpose.

Report on Education called for, and adopted, as follows:

Your Committee on Education recommend Elon College to the favorable consideration of our Conference, as an institution that is indispensible to our success as a church. We have decided, in our judgment, that the brethren who have been before us should continue their studies.

J. S. LAWRENCE,
H. T. MOFFITT,
J. A. SCOTT,
H. A. ALBRIGHT.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due and hereby tendered the people of this community for the hospitable manner in which they have entertained this body during its present sitting. Also to the officers of the Conference for the faithful discharge of their duty. Adopted.

Rev. J. A. Scott and Bro. E. L. Moffitt were elected Fraternal Messengers to the Eastern Virginia Conference.

The President announced Standing Committees, as follows:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—H. T. Moffitt, H. A. Albright, W. W. Scott. Report first day at 2 p. m. FOREIGN MISSIONS.—W. B. Richardson, C. H. Welch, S. H. Way. Report first day at 3 p. m. TEMPERANCE.—T. J. Moffitt, E. H. Jarrell, P. C. Humble. Report second day at 10:30 a. m. SABBATH-SCHOOLS.—W. R. Brown, W. W, Hayworth, Hiram Freeman. Report second day at 2 p. m RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.—J. S Lawrence, E. H. Moffitt, Preston T. Way, W. R. Brown. Report third day at 10:30 a. m. HOME MISSIONS.—W. W. Hayworth, W. B. Richardson, W. W. Lawrence. Report third day at 2 p. m. EDUCATION.—J. A. Scott, H. T. Moffitt, J. S. Lawrence, H. A. Albright. Report third day at 3 p. m.

No further business claiming the attention of this body, on motion, Conference adjourned to meet with the Church at Staley on Thursday before the second Sunday in November. Religious exercises conducted by Rev. J. S. Lawrence.

H. A. ALBRIGHT, *President.*
W. R. BROWN, *Vice-President.*

PRESTON T. WAY, *Recording Secretary, pro tem.*
J. N. CAGLE, *Standing Secretary.*

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Eastern Virginia Christian Conference,

IN ITS SIXTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION.

HOLY NECK, NANSEMOND CO., VA.,
October 29th, 1889.

The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference met here to-day in its sixty-ninth annual session, and in the absence of the President of last session, the Secretary called the body to order, and assisted by Rev. W. S. Long, conducted devotional exercises.

Roll of ministers and churches was called, and the following were enrolled:

MINISTERS—*Elders:* G. A. Beebe, H. H. Butler, M. W. Butler, J. T. Kitchen, M. L. Hurley, R. A. Ricks, W. W. Staley, S. S. Barrett, R H. Holland, J. W. Barrett and J. P. Barrett.

Licentiates: C. C. Peel.

CHURCHES—*Antioch:* W. R. Clements, J. W. Roberts. *Berea* (Nansemond): F. M. Authur. *Berea* (Norfolk): J. J. Hall and J. R. Manning. *Berkley:* A. M. Eley and G. D. DeBaun. *Bethlehem:* John L. Pruden. *Burton's Grove:* L. B. Faison and W. W. Lain. *Cypress Chapel:* J. E. Riddick, W. S. Williams, J. B. Harrell and W. A. King. *Eures:* John S. Felton. *Franklin:* D. P. Rawls. *Hebron:* Allan Daughtrey. *Holy Neck:* P. H. Lee, C. E. Holland, W. E. Whitfield and Elijah Jones. *Ivor:* G. W. Brittle. *Johnson's Grove:* A. M. Johnson and J. I. Joyner. *Liberty Spring:* J. W. Rawles. *Mt. Carmel:* I. W. Duck, *New Lebanon:* O. V. Cockes and O. M. Cockes. *Spring Hill:* J. J. Faison and E. T. White. *Suffolk:* E. E. Holland and W. H. Jones, Jr. *Union* (Southampton): J. W. Drake and J. T. Scott. *Union* (Surry): C. W. Whitmore. *Waverly:* J. T. Cox, Jr. *Windsor:* J. B. Roberts.

Conference here went into the election of President, when, on motion, Rev. W. W. Staley was elected to this office by acclamation.

Rev. M. W. Butler was made Assistant Secretary.

The Committee appointed at the last session of the Conference to revise the Order of Business, here submitted the following report, which was adopted:

Your committee appointed to revise the Order of Business, respectfully presents the following:

FIRST DAY.

1. Organization. Gov. chapter 3, section 1.
2. Annual sermon or address.
3. Resolutions and petitions.
4. Ministerial reports.
5. Church reports.
6. Reception, reports and appointment of Fraternal Messengers.
7. Election of some one to deliver the annual address.
8. Selection of place for next session.
9. Filling vacancies and appointment of special committees.
10. Report of Executive Committee.
11. Closing under direction of the President.

SECOND DAY.

1. Open under direction of the President.
2. Call roll. Read and approve minutes. Enroll new members.
3. Consideration of petitions.
4. Unfinished business.
5. Report of Committee on Temperance.
6. Report of Committee on Sabbath-schools.
7. Reports of special committees.
8. Miscellaneous.
9. Closing.

THIRD DAY.

1. Open as second day.
2. Roll call. Read and approve minutes.
3. Unfinished business.
4. Report on Home Missions.
5. Report on Religious Literature.
6. Reports of special committees.

FOURTH DAY.

1. Open under direction of the President.
2. Roll call. Reading and approving minutes.
3. Unfinished business.
4. Report on Education.
5. Report on Foreign Missions.
6. New business.
7. Treasurer's report.
8. Adjournment.

W. W. STALEY,
E. E. HOLLAND,
H. H. BUTLER.

On motion, the delivery of the annual address was postponed until tomorrow at 12 m.

A petition, in the usual form, was read from a church which had been organized by Rev. J. P. Barrett in the city of Norfolk, asking to be received into this body; when, on motion, the petition was granted, and Bro. John C. Haynes was enrolled as a delegate from said church.

Reports were read from the following ministers: J. P. Barrett, R. A. Ricks, C. C. Peele, M. L. Hurley, G. A. Beebe, W. W. Staley, R. H. Holland, J. T. Kitchen, J. W. Barrett and S. S. Barrett.

A letter was read from Rev. J. W. Patton, asking for a transfer from this to the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference; and, on motion, his request was granted, and the Secretary was instructed to forward a transfer to Bro. Patton.

Reports were read from the following churches: New Lebanon, Windsor, Suffolk, Spring Hill, Johnson's Grove, Mt. Carmel, Berea (Nansemond), Franklin, Berkley, Ivor, Union (Southampton), Antioch, Hebron and Cypress Chapel.

Revs. W. S. Long, D. D., J. L. Foster and Bro. T. J. Haskins, of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference, being present, were, on motion, invited to seats as deliberative members, and Bros. Long and Foster, also bore the fraternal greetings of their Conference to ours.

Reports of Fraternal Messengers were called for, and the following responded: Rev. J. P. Barrett had attended the North Carolina and Virginia, the Virginia Valley, the Deep River, the Southern Pennsylvania and the Central Virginia Conferences. Rev. W. W. Staley had attended the North Carolina and Virginia, the Georgia and Alabama and the Deep River Christian Conferences. Rev. M. L. Hurley had attended the North Carolina and Virginia Conference.

The following Fraternal Messengers were appointed:

To the North Carolina and Virginia Conference:—Revs. J. T. Kitchen and R. A. Ricks. *To the Deep River Conference:*—Revs. J. P. Barrett, H. H. Butler and M. L. Hurley. *To the Virginia Valley Conference:*—Revs. J. P. Barrett and M. W. Butler. *To the Georgia and Alabama Conference:*—Revs. M. L. Hurley and R. A. Ricks.

Rev. R. A. Ricks was elected to deliver the next annual address, with Rev. M. L. Hurley as alternate.

The selection of the place for the holding of the next session of this body was deferred.

Vacancies on committees were filled as follows:

Home Missions.—E. E. Holland and J. J. Faison. *Sunday-schools.*—A. M. Eley, J. C. Haynes and H. H. Butler. *Temperance.*—J. T. Kitchen, W. A. King and J. B. Harrell.

The Executive Committee submitted the following report, which was discussed by Rev. J. P. Barrett, and adopted:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your Executive Committee beg leave to report the following: We have examined the missionary work, as written by Rev. R. A. Ricks and approve it, as the work has been well and ably done. One thousand copies of this work has been published and will soon be distributed throughout our Conference, which we trust, will aid us much in our missionary work.

We also gave an order to Rev. J. P. Barrett on the Treasurer of the Conference for $5 for stationery and printing for the Secretary of the Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

H. H. BUTLER,
J. T. KITCHEN,
M. W. BURTON.

Bro. A. M. Eley was appointed to receive Conference funds for the present session.

On motion, the Chair appointed a committee of three to devise and report to the Conference a plan for the distribution of the "History of Missions." Revs. J. P. Barrett, M. W. Butler and J. T. Kitchen were appointed.

A bill of $17.25 in favor of Rev. J. P. Barrett for printing was allowed and ordered to be paid.

On motion, Conference here adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

Devotional exercises by Rev. S. S. Barrett.

SECOND DAY.

Conference met, with the President in the chair.

Devotional exercises by Rev. J. T. Kitchen. Roll called and journal of yesterday read and approved.

Rev. M. B. Barrett arrived and was enrolled, also Bro. D. B. Roberts from Antioch.

Rev. C. J. Jones, D. D., General Evangelist of the Christian Church, being present, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member. Bro. Jones accepted in a few appropriate remarks.

Ministerial reports of Rev. M. B. Barrett, M. W. Butler and H. H. Butler were read; also reports from the churches at Burton's Grove, Liberty Spring, Norfolk and Waverly.

The report of the Committee on Temperance was submitted and discussed by Rev. C. C. Peele and Bro. E. E. Holland, after which it was adopted, as follows:

We, your Committee on Temperance, beg leave to report, that we believe that the temperance cause in our midst is gradually becoming stronger, but while we rejoice in the increased strength of temperance, we feel that there remains much for the church to do. We believe that in overcoming the evils of intemperance, as brought about by the manufacture, sale and use of ardent spirits, the church has overcome one of her greatest enemies, and paved the way for the

establishment of her cause more fully in the hearts and consciences of mankind. Let us, then, as Christians do our whole duty to ourselves, to the church, and to mankind in removing this monster evil from our midst.

Therefore, we recommend:

1. That pastors taking work in this Conference, preach temperance from the pulpit and around the fireside.
2. That, as the temperance cause promises to offer itself for our suffrage, we consider the importance of giving it our hearty support.
3. That, as we look to the youth of our land, for future usefulness, we train them to abstain from the use of intoxicating beverages by teaching their evil effects, and by placing temperance literature in their hands.
4. That we request the ladies of our churches to co-operate in this work by disregarding the social attention of drinking men.
5. That, as the voice of Scripture is the voice of temperance, we heed its warnings and obey its teachings.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. PEEL,
W. J. LAINE,
J. T. KITCHEN,
J. B. HARRELL,
W. A. KING.

A motion was made by Rev. J. P. Barrett, and was carried, that every member of the Conference be required to vote upon all questions submitted, unless excused by the Chair.

The Committee on Sunday-schools submitted its report, which was discussed by Bros. M. W. Butler, A. M. Eley, R. A. Ricks, I. W. Duck, H. H. Butler, M. L. Hurley, G. A. Beebe, C. J. Jones, J. P. Barrett and W. S. Long, and adopted:

Your Committee on Sunday-schools would submit the following: We believe the Sunday-school to be one of the most potent means for the dissemination of gospel truth. In our denomination the work is aggressive. The International Sunday school Lessons are used, and the latest and most improved methods of interesting and instructing the young are being introduced. A clear and systematic study of the Bible cannot fail to assist in every department of our denominational work. The moral and religious training of the young is second to no other duty incumbent upon us. We, therefore, recommend:

1. That every church belonging to this Conference use every opportunity to sustain a Sunday-school during the entire year.
2. That no church in any way encourage a branch school, which tends to disorganize and pull down schools conducted in connection with a church.
3. That every school conducted in connection with a Christian Church, be reported to and become a member of the Eastern Virginia Christian Sunday-school Convention.
4. That we ask the Sunday-school Convention of this Conference to use its best efforts in introducing our Lessen Helps, published at the Christian Publishing House, Dayton, Ohio.

Respectfully submitted,

M. W. BUTLER,
JOHN C. HAYNES,
A. M. ELEY,
H. H. BUTLER.

Committee to devise a plan for the distribution of the "History of Missions" submited its report, which, on motion, was adopted:

Report of the Special Committee on the distribution of the "History of Home Mission Work" in this Conference. We recommend:

1. That fifty copies be presented to Dr. Long for distribution in the North Carolina and Virginia Conference.
2. That one hundred copies be left in the hands of the Secretary for distribution in special cases, as the calls may seem to justify.
3. That the remainder be distributed among the churches of this body in proportion to membership.
4. That Rev. G A. Beebe and Rev. H. H. Butler be appointed to so distribute these copies, and that they be requested to do so at once, through the delegates here representing the said churches.

M. W. BUTLER,
J. T. KITCHEN,
J P. BARRETT.

Delegates were enrolled as follows: Bros. R. A. Hyslop and F. L. Portlock from Providence, Bro. David McClemey from Bethlehem, Bro. J. R. Hinton and R. L. Corbet from Damascus. Bro. J. H. Brinkley from Liberty Spring, Bro. R. L. Spivey and J. T. Turner from Isle of Wight C. H., and Bro. R. H. Keen from Hebron.

Rev. John Lyon, of the Southern Ohio Conference, being present, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

Conference here went into the selection of a place at which to hold its next annual session, and, on motion, Providence, Norfolk County, Virginia, was unanimously chosen.

Committee to revise Form for Church Report submitted its report in form of Church Report as revised.

On motion, Bro. E. E. Holland was appointed a committee of one to have the Trustees of our Conference recognized before some court.

Report from the Church at Bethany was handed in and read.

Conference here went into the selection of delegates to represent it in the next General Conference.

Pending the election, Conference took a recess for the delivery of the annual address, and for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference resumed business, with the President in the chair.

Devotional exercises by Rev. M. W. Butler.

Bro. J. G. Johnson from Mt. Carmel, arrived and was enrolled, also Bro. A. Moore from Oakland.

Conference proceeded with the election of delegates to the General Convention, and the following were elected :

Elders : W. W. Staley, J. P. Barrett, D. D., M. L. Hurley, R. A. Ricks, H. H Butler.
Laymen : E. E. Holland, J. F. West, I. W. Duck, P. H. Lee and R. A. Hyslop.

Rev. J. W. Wellons, of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference, being present, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member. Bro. Wellons, also bore to this body the fraternal greetings of his Conference.

Rev. C. J. Jones, D. D., was announced to preach to-morrow at 12 m.

On motion, Conference here adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. J. P. Barrett.

THIRD DAY.

Conference was called to order by the President.

Devotional exercises by Rev. W. S. Long.

Roll was called, and minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Letters were read from the following churches : Eure's, Union (Surry), Holy Neck, Bethlehem, Isle of Wight C. H., Providence, Centerville, Damascus and Oakland.

Bro. W. T. Newman from Oakland, arrived and was enrolled.

The report on Home Missions was submitted and discussed by Bros. J. T. Kitchen. R. A. Ricks, M. L. Hurley, J. P. Barrett, E. E. Holland, M. L. Hurley, C. C. Peele, M. W. Butler and H. H. Butler, and adopted:

The Committee on Home Missions submit the following report: Our success as a church depends mainly upon the prompt collection and proper expenditure of Mission funds. If we would attain desired progress our Mission Fund must increase in proportion to the demands upon us as a people. "The History of Missions" shows, on page 15, that the collections have not kept pace with our progress in other departments of the work.

We think it essential that the chairman of this committee should be a good organizer, and a man who has had experience in this work. We therefore recommend:

1. That a Secretary of Home Missions be appointed, who may serve for an indefinite time, or as long as acceptable to the Conference, and that he shall be *ex-officio* chairman of the Home Mission committee.

2. We recommend that the "History of Missions," prepared by Rev. R. A. Ricks, be read and intelligently considered by all the churches in this Conference.

3. We recommend that this Conference appropriate $250 towards the support of the Berkley Mission.

4. We recommend that this Conference give $75 to the Mission station at Isle of Wight C. H., Virginia.

5. We recommend the following assessments for Home Missions during this Conference year: Antioch, $75; Barrett's, $10; Bethany, $35; Bethlehem, $35; Berkley, $10; Berea (Nansemond), $80; Berea (Norfolk), $25; Cypress Chapel, $50; Centerville, $5; Burton's Grove, $10; New Lebanon, $5; Damascus, $35; Eure's, $10; Franklin, $10; Hebron, $10; Holy Neck, $90; Ivor, $5; Johnson's Grove, $5; Liberty Springs, $30; Mt. Carmel, $35; Oakland, $20; Union (Southampton), $10; Union, $5; Waverly, $10; Windsor, $25.

J. T. KITCHEN,
E. E HOLLAND,
J. J. FAISON,
I. W. DUCK,
H. H. BUTLER.

On motion of Rev. R. A. Ricks, Rev. M. L. Hurley was made Secretary of Home Missions.

Conference here took a recess for preaching by Rev. C. J. Jones, D. D., and for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order by the President.

Bro. J. I. Cross, from Bethany, arrived and was enrolled.

It was decided that the Conference proceed to ascertain how many ANNUALS would be taken by the churches; whereupon, Bro. M. W. Butler and R. A. Hyslop were appointed to attend to that matter.

Treasurer's report was submitted, and, on motion, was referred to an Auditing Committee composed of Bros. F. M. Arthur, F. L. Portlock and J. H. Brinkley.

Col. Alexander Savage here tendered his resignation as Treasurer of the Conference, which, on motion, was accepted, and Bro. W. H. Jones, Jr., of Suffolk, Va., was unanimously elected as his successor.

On motion, Col. A. Savage, the retiring Treasurer, was tendered a vote of thanks for his long, faithful and efficient services as Treasurer of this Conference.

On motion, the Order of Business was for the time suspended, and the report of the Committee on Education was submitted, taken up by sections, discussed by Bros. W. W. Staley, J. P. Barrett, P. J. Kernodle, W. S. Long and C. J. Jones, and adopted by sections, and then as a whole.

EDUCATIONAL REPORT.

The history of progress is the history of increased wants and duties to the individual members of society. This age is the acme of general information. No previous period required so much for the individual or so much of the individual. This fact taxes the individual, and demonstrates the necessity for his best development. This same fact reveals the importance of the highest possible culture in every organized body. Whether viewed in the interest of individuals or the church, the subject of education demands our thoughtful attention and perpetual service. Every other line of growth and prosperity is the output from this mining center. It is the fountain from which flow the potential streams which turn the wheels of other departments of Zion. The prophet Hosea says: "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge." 4: 6. These irresistible truths constrain us to aver:

I. That failure to appreciate and provide for our educational necessities means culpable and irretrievable loss to the cause committed to our charge.

II. That thorough training and consecrated service never fail to win success and reward in fields of divine appointment. We, therefore, recommend:

1. That we avail ourselves of all present means within our reach to educate our children for life and its undefined possibilities.

2. That we endorse the Suffolk Collegiate Institute as a potent factor in our progress and worthy of our patronage.

3. That we re-affirm our purpose to co-operate in the completion and equipment of Elon College, now in course of erection and representing, as we believe, interests vital to us as a denomination.

4. It is our firm conviction that this age makes education a prime necessity to the minister, and we urge the Conference to guard the door to this sacred office, and to do all in her power to encourage and aid Biblical students in the pure suit of sanctified scholarship.

Under the approval of your committee, J. Wallace Rawles will teach school this year.

Rev. C. C. Peel has been advised and will spend this year in the Suffolk Collegiate Institute and take work with churches.

We recommend that $75 be appropriated to aid W. J. Laine in paying board for this scholastic year in the Suffolk Collegiate Institute.

That N. G. Newman receive license from this Conference, that he may exercise his gifts, and at the same time teach and do private study, and that Rev. W. S. Long be authorized by this Conference and requested to license Bro. Newman.

We recommend that the name of Robert Henry Peel be entered upon the roll of Biblical students.

L. L. Lasiter is now at work, but expresses his fixed purpose to qualify himself for the work of the ministry.

We recommend the following assessments for educational purposes next year, and that the churches make greater efforts to collect the full amounts: Antioch, $20; Barrett's, $5; Bethany, $10; Bethlehem, $12; Berea (Nansemond), $20; Berea (Norfolk), $15; Berkley, $5; Centerville, $5; Cypress Chapel, $20; Damascus, $15; Eure's, $5; Franklin, $5; Handsome's, $2; Hebron, $5; Holy Neck, $20; Ivor, $3; Johnson's Grove, $5; Liberty Spring, $10; Mt. Carmel, $12; Oakland, $10; Providence, $12; Sharon, $3; Spring Hill, $10; Suffolk, $15; Union, $5; Union (Surry), $5; Waverly, $5; Windsor, $6; Burton's Grove, $5; New Lebanon, $3; total, $273.

That the name of Joseph Jones be entered upon the list of the Biblical class.

W. W. STALEY,
G. A. BEEBE,
R. A. RICKS,
J. P. BARRETT,
M. L. HURLEY,

On motion, $50 were appropriated from the Superannuated Fund to our venerable brother, Rev. S. S. Barrett.

Committee on ANNUALS reported 750 taken by the churches; whereupon, on motion, it was decided that the Conference subscribe for 250 copies to be paid for from the Conference Publication Fund, and that these be distributed at Mission points.

On motion, Conference here adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Devotional exercises by Rev. C. J. Jones, D, D.

FOURTH DAY.

Conference met, with the President in the chair.

Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. S. S. Barrett.

Roll was called, and the minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Report on Foreign Missions was taken up, and discussed by Bros. J. P. Barrett, W. S. Long, A. Savage, W. W. Staley, M. L. Hurley, J. W. Barrett and C. C. Peele, and adopted.

We, your Committee on Foreign Missions, beg leave to report:

1. That our Foreign Mission work in Japan is making fair progress under the faithful labors of Rev. D. F. Jones and his co-workers.

2. That Rev. H. J. Rhodes and wife have been appointed by the Foreign Mission Board to assist Bro. Jones in our Foreign field, and that they have entered upon their work.

3. We recommend that the same assessments made for 1889 upon the churches be continued for the next Conference year.

Respectfully submitted,

M. L HURLEY,
J. P. BARRETT,
R. A. RICKS.

On motion, the Treasurer of the Conference was ordered to pay over to the Treasurer of the General Convention all the funds now in hand for Foreign Missions, $173.96.

The Committee on Religious Literature submitted its report, which was discussed by Bros. R. A. Ricks, J. L. Foster, J. T. Kitchen, W. W. Staley, P. J. Kernodle, John Lyon, M. W. Butler and J. P. Barrett, and adopted:

Your Committee on Religious Literature, beg leave to submit the following report: At no time in the history of the world has the press been so potent in the affairs of men as in this, the "afternoon of the nineteenth century." It is the mighty factor, humanly speaking, in shaping the destiny of nations. In the political, social and industrial world its power is felt and realized. This is also true of the religious world. It is the great vehicle for the conveyance of religious truth and christian teaching. The time has come when that church, or religious denomination that fails to utilize this mighty power, neglects the only lever by which it may raise itself to a respectable position in the Christian world. This being true, we of the Christian Church should more fully awaken to the necessity of the times. To this end we therefore recommend:

1. That we give our own literature the preference above all other, even though, in some particulars, it may not be quite so good; for in this way only can we hope to raise its standard.
2. That we earnestly endorse, and heartily support our denominational organ' the CHRISTIAN SUN, and use every legitimate means to increase its circulation.
3. That those who may be able to do so, in connection with the CHRISTIAN SUN, read the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*, published at Dayton, Ohio.
4. That we also urge our people to read our literture in book and pamphlet form, such as the "Life of Wellons," "Facing the Truth," "Five Cardinal Principles Defined," "History of Missions," etc.
5. That those among us who may be competent, be encouraged to prepare such other literature as may be productive of good.
6. That, in our opinion, it would be to the interest of our Conference to appoint a colporteur for the more extended circulation of our denominational literature, in connection with such other religious literature as it may approve.

Respectfully submitted,

R. A. RICKS,
A. M. ELEY,
E. E. HOLLAND.

The following was adopted:

That the thanks of this body are due, and are hereby tendered to the members of this church and community for their hospitality during this session; also to the A. & D. Railway for passing delegates and visitors for one fare.

The following report was submitted by the Auditing Committee, and was adopted:

We the Auditing Committee beg leave to report that we have examined carefully the account of Col. A. Savage, Treasurer of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, and found it correct.

F. M. ARTHUR,
F. L. PORTLOCK,
JOEL H. BRINKLEY.

The President announced the following Standing Committees for the ensuing year:

Education.—J. P. Barrett, D. D., J. T. Kitchen, G. A. Beebe and M. B. Barrett. *Home Missions.*—M. L. Hurley, R. A. Ricks, M. W. Butler, E. E. Holland and J. J. Faison. *Foreign Missions.*—J. P. Barrett, D. D., H. H. Butler, J. W. Barrett, A. M. Eley, C. E. Holland. *Temperance.*—J. T. Kitchen, C. C. Peel, R. A. Hyslop, F. M. Arthur and J. B. Harrell. *Religious Literature.*—R. A. Ricks, R. H. Holland, M. B. Barrett, M. W. Butler, I. W. Norfleet and H. H. Butler. *Sabbath-schools.*—F. L. Portlock, J. C. Haynes and I. W. Duck. *Executive Committee.*—H. H. Butler, M. L. Hurley and R. A. Ricks.

It was decided, after discussion *pro* and *con* by several of the brethren, to continue the District Meeting work, and, on motion, the Home

Mission Committee was instructed to so arrange the churches of the districts that each church shall receive the District Meeting in rotation.

On motion, Rev. W. W. Staley was added to the Executive Committee and Committee on Education as the chairman of each.

The Treasurer submitted his report. as follows:

ALEX. SAVAGE, *Treasurer, in account with*

1888.	EASTERN VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE,	DR.	CR.
Nov. 1.	To balance to credit Home Mission fund	$1,224 96	
	" interest to November 1, 1889	8 65	
	" collections to November 1. 1889	452 28	
Nov. 2.	By check to Rev. G. A. Beebe		$ 100 00
Dec.	By check to Berkley Building Committee		200 00
1889.			
Jan. 4.	By D. note to Building Committee		300 00
24.	By check to Rev. J. T. Kitchen		50 00
Feb. 23.	By check to Rev. G. A. Beebe		100 00
Mar. 23.	By check to Berkley Building Committee		100 00
May 10.	By check to G. A. Beebe		100 00
July 23.	By check to Rev. J. T. Kitchin		50 00
Aug. 17.	By check to G. A. Beebe		100 00
Nov. 1.	By amount to credit Home Mission fund to balance		589 89
		$1,685 89	$1,685 89
1888.			
Nov. 1.	To balance to credit Educational fund	$ 348 18	
	To interest to November 1, 1889	11 53	
	To collections to November 1, 1889	166 28	
1889.			
Feb. 15.	By check to P. J. Kernodle		$ 35 00
June 7.	By check to P. J. Kernodle		50 00
Nov. 1.	By amount to credit Educational fund		440 90
		$ 525 99	$ 525 99
1888.			
Nov. 1.	To balance to credit to Pub. and Conference fund	70 36	
	Interest to November 1, 1889	2 60	
	To collections to November 1, 1889	32 65	
Nov. 2.	By check to Rev. R. A. Ricks		$ 1 00
May 19.	By check to Rev. J. P. Barrett		5 00
Nov. 1.	By amount to credit Pub. and Conference fund		99 61
		$ 105 61	$ 105 61
1888.			
Nov. 1.	To balance credit Superannuated fund	$ 153 06	
	To interest to November 1, 1889	3 12	
	To collections to November 1, 1889	37 73	
Nov. 5.	By check to Rev. S S. Barrett		$ 25 00
Dec. 8.	By check to Rev. S. S. Barrett		50 00
Nov. 1.	By amount to credit Superannuated fund		118 91
		$ 193 91	$ 193 91
1888.			
Nov. 1.	To balance to credit Convention fund	$ 192 78	
	To interest to November 1, 1889	7 60	
	To collections to November 1, 1889	26 34	
1889.			
Nov. 1.	By balance to credit Convention fund		$ 226 72
		$ 226 72	$ 226 72
1888.			
Nov. 1.	To balance to credit Foreign Mission fund	98 23	
	To interest to November 1, 1889	3 90	
	To collections to November 1, 1889	71 83	
1889.			
Nov. 1.	By balance to credit Foreign Mission fund		$ 173 96
		$ 173 96	$ 173 96
1888.			
Nov. 1.	To balance to credit Theological Department	$ 110 83	
	To interest to November 1, 1889	4 40	
	To collections to November 1, 1889	0 00	
1889.			
Nov. 1.	By balance to credit Theological Department		$ $115 23
		$ 115 23	$ 115 23

SUMMARY BALANCES.

1889. Nov. 1.	Home Mission fund	$ 585 89
	Foreign Mission fund	173 96
	Education fund	440 99
	Publishing and Conference fund	99 61
	Superannuated fund	118 91
	Convention fund	226 72
	Theological fund	115 23
	Total to Cr. Eastern Virginia Christian Conf.	$1,761 31

The above balances have been duly transferred to me as successor to Col. Alexander Savage, Treasurer of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference. WM. H. JONES, JR.

November 12, 1889.

On motion, Conference here adjourned, with benediction by Rev. W. S. Long, to meet with the church at Providence, Norfolk County, Va., on Tuesday before the first Sunday in November, 1890, at 11 a. m.

W. W. STALEY, *President.*

R. A. RICKS, *Secretary.*
M. W. BUTLER, *Assistant Secretary.*

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	SECRETARIES AND THEIR POST-OFFICES.	No. Reported last Session.	Received since	Dismissed	Withdrawn.	Died.	Expelled.	Present Membership.	Connected with Sunday-school.	Amount paid Pastor.	Establishment of Schools.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Superannuated Fund.	Conference and Publishing Fund.	Convention Fund.	For other Purposes.	Total amount.	Value of Church Property.
Antioch	J. P. Barrett	T. J. Clements, Windsor, Va	305	4	4	4	2	11	288	109	$300 00	$	$56 09	$11 00	$23 05	$2 27	$1 00	$ 95	$ 88	$ 395 24	$2,000 00
Barrett's	M. B. Barrett	S. J. Rollings, Airfield, Va	129																		
Berea (Nansemond)	M. L. Hurley	A. Savage, Norfolk, Va	133				1		132	97	350 00	481 00	50 00	10 00	20 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	126 91	1,052 91	1,400 00
Berea (Norfolk)	J. T. Kitchen	M. W. Holloway, Great Ridge, Va	150	12	4		2	14	142	70	225 00	17 96	75 00	1 00	1 15	1 40	25	1 01		263 47	1,500 00
Berkley	G. A. Beebe	B. F. Townsend, Berkley, Va	90	14	2		1	1	100	134	600 00	1 00	10 00	3 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	795 12	1,417 12	3,000 00
Bethany	R. A. Ricks	T. J. Lawrence, South Quay, Va	88		2				86	47	150 00	50 00	25 00	5 00	10 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	50 00	293 00	1,800 00
Bethlehem	H. H. Butler	J. W. Faulk, Suffolk, Va	229	4	1		2	27	203	86	200 00	93 77	12 50	2 50	2 04	2 00	50	50	41 30	355 51	1,600 00
Burton's Grove	M. W. Butler	S. S. Parsons, Airfield, Va	96	22		5	1		112	60	100 00		3 75	1 00	3 00	20	48	35	200 00	308 78	1,200 00
Centerville	M. W. Butler	A. T. Hatch, Disputanta, Va	39	1	1	1		1	37	45	75 00					35	45	20		76 00	125 00
Cypress Chapel	H. H. Butler	W. A. King, Cypress, Va	321	44	2	2	2	31	328	86	225 00		30 00		5 28	3 24	2 00	1 00	65 00	331 52	2,000 00
Damascus	H. H. Butler	J. R. Rayner, Sunsbury, N. C.	218	8	1	1		1	223	53	225 00		13 55		3 10	3 24	2 00	1 00	44 00	291 89	1,500 00
Eure's	H. C. Moore	J. S. Felton	115		4				111	44	60 00		1 00		1 00					62 00	1,000 00
Franklin	R. A. Ricks	T. L. Daughtrey, Franklin, Va	20	3				1	22	53	150 00	22 00	10 00	2 00	5 00	55	54	54	85 85	276 48	3,000 00
Hebron	C. C. Peele	R. H. Holland, Holland Va	122	3			2		123	36	100 00	5 00	10 00	2 00	5 00	1 00	62	1 15	2 00	126 77	800 00
Holy Neck	M. L. Hurley	J. T. Rawles, Holland, Va	410	10	3		3	1	413	95	400 00		70 00	10 00	20 00	1 50	1 50	1 53	352 00	856 53	2,500 00
Isle of Wight C. H.	J. T. Kitchen	N. B. Munford, Isle of Wight C. H., Va.	23	14					37	146			3 00	1 00	3 00	2 00	1 00	50		10 50	
Ivor	R. A. Ricks	J. W. Brittle, Jr., Ivor, Va	54	8					62	47	200 00	10 00	5 00	2 00	25	50	93	40	6 00	115 08	1,000 00
Johnson's Grove	J. P. Barrett	J. W. Johnson, Vicksville, Va	78	1				3	76	69	100 00		5 00		2 60	60	60	60		109 40	600 00
Liberty Spring	M. B. Barrett	F. E. Parker, Savage's Crossing, Va	183	5	4		1	10	173	104	150 00		6 80	2 00	5 00	1 98				265 78	1,300 00
Mt. Carmel	M. B. Barrett	P. D. Howell, Windsor, Va	283	1		1	1	4	278	114	125 00	8 00	20 00	4 00	1 63					158 63	1,000 00
New Lebanon	C. C. Peele	O. V. Cockes, Spotsville, Va	34	2				2	34	80	82 25		5 00	1 00	3 00	56	1 50	50	10 00	83 91	1,000 00
Norfolk	No pastor	R. K. Haynes, Norfolk, Va							13												
Oakland	H. H. Butler	A. L. Saunders, Everett's, Va	122	9	4	5	4	2	116	42	150 00		5 70		2 50	1 91	2 00	69		162 80	2,000 00
Providence	R. A. Ricks	F. L. Portlock, Great Bridge, Va	93						93	58	200 00	23 00	15 00	5 00	10 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	65 00	322 00	1,500 00
Spring Hill	J. W. Barrett	R. T. West, Waverly, Va	122	1			1	2	119	69	200 00	80 00	20 00	3 00	10 00	50	50	50	56 00	370 50	1,000 00
Suffolk	W. W. Staley	H. M. Parker, Suffolk, Va	181	7	1	1	1	4	182	112	900 00	100 00	30 00	6 00	15 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	299 00	1,355 00	7,000 00
Union (South'mpt'n)	C. C. Peele	J. E. Scott, Isaacs, Va	134	19			1	7	145	60	75 00		10 00	2 00	5 00	96	71	59		94 26	1,000 00
Union (Surry)	M. W. Butler	G. W. Andrews	98		3		2		93		115 00									50 00	800 00
Waverly	M. W. Butler	T. W. Johnson, Waverly, Va	57	2		1	1		57	70	200 00		5 00	1 00	4 50	35	65	50	25 00	237 00	1,500 00
Windsor	J. W. Barrett	R. T. Holland, Windsor, Va	82	1					83	102	150 00		20 00						150 00	320 00	1,500 00

Handsome's and Sharon made no report.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Sixty-Fourth Annual Session

OF THE

North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference.

HANKS' CHAPEL, CHATHAM CO., N. C..
November 19, 1889.

The North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference met here today in its sixty-fourth annual session. Rev. P. T. Klapp, President of last session, called the body to order. Religious services by Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., in the reading of a portion of the fourth chapter of Phil., using hymn 43, after which he offered prayer. A short praise meeting was then held, in which many took part.

The Secretary then called the roll of Elders, with the following response:

Elders: C. A. Boon, P. H. Fleming, J. W. Hatch, J. W. Holt, J. A. Jones, S. B Klapp, W. H. Roach, M. L. Winston, A. F. Iseley, G. R. Underwood, W. G. Clements, J. L. Foster, W. T. Herndon, H. C Fulton, P. T. Klapp, W. S. Long J. D. Wicker, E. T. Iseley, J. A. Whitman, R. G. Tinnin, J. W. Wellons.

Licentiates: J. W. Fonville, T. W. Stroud, N. B. Hunnicutt, D. R. Yarboro and T. B. Dawson.

Churches with delegates responded as follows:

Antioch: O. M. Dorsett and Edgar Oldham *Apple's Chapel.*———. *Bethlehem:* W A. Hall, J. M. Kernodle, W. L. Ross. *Beulah:* C. C. Williams. *Turner's Chapel:* E. J Johnson, A. W. Wicker. *Catawba Springs:* J. A Franks, J. E. Franks. *Christian Chapel*: J. B. Davis, L S. Mann. *Clover Orchard:*———. *Concord:*———. *Burlington:* W. C. Iseley, Miss Sallie Turrentine. *Damascus:* J. W. Pritchard. *Ebenezer:*———. *Good Hope:*———. *Hank's Chapel:* J. R. Farrell, W. S. Petty. *Happy Home:* J. W. Foster. *Hughes' Chapel*: S. C. Crocker. *Hebron:*———. *Hines' Chapel:* W. A. Heath, L. E. Howell. *Kallam's Grove:*———. *Lebanon:*———. *Liberty (V.):* J. M. Green. *Liberty (R.):*———. *Lockville:*———. *Martha's Chapel:*———. *Moore Union:* J. T. Maddock, J. E. Yarboro. *Morrisville:* J. D. Pleasants, Prof. J. H. Moring. *Mt. Auburn:* J. A. Kimball. *Mt. Bethel:* T. W. Price. *Mt. Carmel:*———. *Mt. Hermon:*———. *Mt. Pisgah:*———. *Mt. Zion:* J. E. King. *New Elam:* Jas. M. Womble, W G. Lasater. *New Hill:* D. H. Gardner. *New Hope:* J. B. King, J. M. King. *New Providence:* J. N. H. Clendenin, J. H. Hardin. *Oak Level:* Richard T. Williams. Joseph Pierce. *O'Kelley's Chapel:* C. S. Holleman, W. D. Howard. *Pleasant Grove (Va.):* C. D. S. Farmer. *Pleasant Hill (C.):*———. *Pleasant Hill (J.):*———. *Pleasant Union (H.):* R. C. Long *Pleasant Ridge:*——— *Pope's Chapel:* A. L. Allen. *Poplar Branch:*———. *Plymouth:* A. L. Harris, D. C. Partin. *Raleigh:* A. Moring. *Salem Chapel:*———*Shallow Well:*———. *Shallow Ford:* Peter Michael, John Cobb. *Union (Va.):* C. P. Wall, E. C. A. Tuck. *Union, N. C.:* J. H. Foster, J. D. Wilkins. *Wake Chapel:* K B. Johnson, A. P. Fuqua. *Walnut Grove:*———. *Zion:* H. C. Farrell. *Grace's Chapel:* W. F. Lloyd, J H. Philips. *Union Chapel:*———. *Youngsville:* W. T. Young, Dr. P. R. Hatch. *Pleasant Grove (J.):*———. *Howard's Chapel:* G. W. Pinnix. Geo. Smith *Long's Chapel:* W. J. Fitch, H. C. King. *Amelia:*——— *Mt. Pleasant:* John Porter. *Bethany:* W. S. Mays, J. R. Riley. *Keyser:* W. W. Miles. *Egypt:*———. *Winder:*———. *Center Grove*: W. H. White, J. D. Griffin *Auburn*: J. E. Langston. *Sage Garden*: H. H Holder, G. W. Elliott. *Christian Light*: J. E Griffin, J. R. Brown. *Durham*. Hon. J. M. Moring. *High Point*: C. P. Davis, J. W. Parker. *Spilona*. B. Smith, J. W. Langdon.

The first business in order was the election of a President for this session. Rev. W. T. Herndon was elected. Bro. J. H. Hardin was unanimously elected Assistant Secretary.

The report from the Committee on Order of Business, as directed by last Conference, was read, and on motion, was tabled.

By Form of Government, Rev. J. D. Wicker proceeded to deliver the annual sermon, he being the alternate, as elected at last Conference. Read 43d chapter of Isaiah. Text, 10th verse 6th chapter Songs Solomon.

Adjourned 45 minutes for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President W. T. Herndon in the chair.

On motion, the calendar of this Conference having gotten ten years behind, the Secretary is authorized to write this the Sixty-fourth Annual Session instead of Fifty-fourth, as it would be following session of last year.

By motion, Bro. A. L Allen was appointed to receive all funds sent up for ANNUALS.

On motion, by Rev. J. W. Holt, the following was adopted:

Meet each day a 9:30 a. m.; adjourn at 12:30 for dinner; meet pursuant to adjournment, and adjourn at will in the afternoon.

Ministerial reports called for, and reports read as recorded in table.

On motion, by Rev. P. T. Klapp, Rev. J. W. Patton's ministerial report was read, as he has work in the Conference, though a member of the Eastern Virginia Conference.

Church letters called, and, by motion, they were referred to the Secretary to be statistically tabulated, reporting matters therefrom of interest to Conference.

The following resolution was introduced by Rev. J. W. Holt:

Resolved, That any order made by this body for the payment of funds for any purpo-e, shall be null and void, unless the same shall be presented for payment within two years from date of order.

Resolution tabled.

By motion, Revs. P. T. Klapp and W. T. Herndon were appointed to fill vacancies on the Committee on Education.

On motion, Conference decided to hold communion services Wednesday at noon. Corrected. Approved.

Adjourned.

SECOND DAY—NOVEMBER 10, 1889.

Conference met according to adjournment. President in the chair. Religious services by Rev. P. H. Fleming.

Minutes of previous day read, corrected and approved.

On motion, Bro. J. H. Hardin, Assistant Secretary, was granted leave of absence.

Hon. J. M. Moring was elected to fill the vacancy.

The following delegates arrived and were enrolled:

Pleasant Hill (*C.*): J. A. Fogleman, Owen Cotner. *Concord:* Ed. L. Aldridge, R. L. Miles. *Ebenezer:* W. R. Smith, N A. Dillard. *Liberty* (*R.*): J. C. Holmes, J. W. Ellis. *New Hill:* D. H. Gardner. *Damascus:* W. D. Nevill. *Martha's Chapel:* H. Mulholland, Elbert Herndon. *Pleasant Grove* (*J.*): M. J. Langdon. *Licentiates:* Rev. N. B. Honeycutt.

The President called Rev. J. W. Hatch to the chair. Rev. W. T. Herndon submitted his report of the work at Durham, as follows:

"To the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference: Since I have had charge of this work I have received about twenty two hundred dollars, all of which has been expended upon the church building, except the sum of one hundred dollars. There is now an indebtedness of $800 against the church."

W. T. HERNDON.

The report was discussed by Rev. W. T. Herndon and Hon. J. M. Moring, after which the congregation was canvassed in the interest of Durham church; amount collected, $22.96. The report was adopted.

On motion, Revs. George Moore, of the Baptist church, and J. P. Barrett, of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, were invited to seats as deliberative members, also Rev. R. A. Ricks, of same Conference was received as Fraternal Messenger, and extended his fraternal greetings in a neat and happy little speech.

Rev. J. W. Holt submitted a partial report from the Committee on Home Missions.

Pending the discussion of said report, the special order for the hour was taken up, and the Lord's Supper was administered by Rev. W. G. Clements, after which Conference adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The President in the chair. The question pending was called, and after discussion by various brethren, and, on motion, all reference to the executive was stricken out, and, on motion, the report was amended, instructing the committee to so assess the churches as to make the Home Mission Fund for 1889–'90, *one thousand dollars.* The report thus amended was returned to the committee to be incorporated in the body of the main report. A collection was taken for Home Missions amounting to $12.84.

Rev. W. S. Long introduced the following resolution:

"*Resolved,* That in all cases where ministers take charge of churches within this Conference, whether they be members of this body, or of other Conferences, they shall be required to report to this body on all matters wherein demands or calls of any kind are made upon them by this body; further, when in any case any church shall fail to comply with the calls or demands made by this body that the pastor and the church shall be jointly and severally held responsible for whatever failure may be found against any church."

The resolution was adopted.

Bro. G. W. Elliott, of Sage Garden, was excused from further attendance.

On motion, Conference adjourned till 9:30 a. m. to-morrow.

THIRD DAY—NOVEMBER 26, 1889.

Conference met pursuant to adjournment. Religious exercises by Rev. J. D. Wicker.

Resolution by J. M. Moring:

Resolved, That upon all reports submitted to this body by standing committees, the committee reporting shall be allowed one hour for discussion of their report to be apportioned among the members of said committee as they may think best. On such reports, and all other motions and resolutions, no member shall be allowed exceeding ten minutes for debate upon such matters, including all amendments, unless by unanimous consent of the Conference.

The resolution was adopted.

The Treasurer's report was received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The committee appointed at last Conference reported, as follows:

We, your committee, who was appointed to sell the church property at Sharon have looked into the matter and find that this Conference will have to make an order directing the trustees of said property, giving them the power to sell and return the proceeds.

We would recommend: (1) that a committee of one be appointed to receive said funds; (2) that this fund be donated to the Durham Christian Church enterprise. P. T. KLAPP, Chairman.

On motion of Rev. J. W. Wellons, Bro. S. P. Read was appointed to sell said property and apply the proceeds as directed in the report.

Report adopted.

An account against the Conference by Rev. M. L. Winston, for expenses attending the meeting of the Executive Committee, to the amount of six dollars and fifty cents, was allowed.

Ministerial report of Rev. D. F. Jones, Missionary to Japan, was read

On motion, the election of delegates to the General Convention was made a special order immediately upon the evening sitting to-day.

On motion, the representation of this Conference in the General Convention was apportioned, as follows: Elders, 8; laymen, 7.

On motion, a committee of three Elders was appointed to recommend seven laymen to be voted for asdelegates to the Convention, and a committee of three laymen to recommend eight Elders for like purpose.

The committee appointed as follows:

Elders: Revs. W. S. Long, J. W. Wellons and W. G. Clements. *Laymen*: Bros. W. S. Petty, A. Moring and W. A. Hall. Committee on Finance as follows: Rev. M. L. Winston, and Bros. W. S. Petty and J. W. Foster.

Rev. T. B. Dawson submitted the following report on church extension, after it had been referred to the committee, changed and adopted, as amended:

We, the Committee on Church Entension report, as follows: We have been presented with two claims for help, that of High Point and Beulah; besides there are other points, we presume, claiming help. But having been informed by the Treasurer, that there is about twenty dollars in the treasury to be appropriated to church extension, we, therefore, recommend that the amount in the treasury be equally divided between the churches at High Point and Beulah. We also recommend that the Conference assess the churches so as to raise three hundred dollars for the ensuing year, which will be about five cents per member.

T. B. DAWSON.
W. H. ROACH.

On motion, account of Rev. J. L. Foster for one dollar was allowed and ordered to be paid.

Rev. P. H. Fleming, Fraternal Messenger, from the Valley Virginia Conference was invited to a seat as a deliberative member, and upon taking his seat gave a cheering report of the work in that Conference.

The following Standing Committees were appointed:

Education: Revs. W. S. Long, W, G. Clements, J. W. Wellons, J. U. Newman and P. T. Klapp. *Home Missions:* J. W. Holt, J. D. Wicker, Hon. John M. Moring, S. B. Klapp and T. W. Stroud. *Foreign Missions:* Revs. P. T. Klapp and W. S. Long. *Literature:* Revs. J. L. Foster, C. A. Boon, D. R. Yarboro, E. T. Iseley and Bro. W. N. Pritchard. *Church Extension:* Revs. G. R. Underwood, W. H. Roach, T. B. Dawson and Dr. G. S. Watson. *Temperance:* Dr. D. H. Albright, I. W. Pritchard, H. C. King and A. F. Iseley. *Executive:* Revs. W. G. Clements, J. L. Foster and M. L. Winston. *Sunday School:* Prof. J. H. Moring, Revs. P. T. Way, J. W. Fonville and W. S. Petty.

On motion, Rev. W. T. Herndon was added to the Committee on Foreign Mission.

Report of Committee on Sunday-schools:

We, your Committee on Sunday-schools, respectfully report:

That the Sabbath-school work is not so encouraging this year as last.

We find a decrease both in schools and average attendance. Number of schools reported last year sixty-three, with a total attendance of 2,225; this year only forty-seven schools report, with a total attendance of 2,000.

We need more devoted workers. We would, therefore, recommend:

1. That the pastors of various churches be present, and take part in the Sabbath-schools as often as possible.
2. That all workers take an active and devoted part in securing the attendance of those in their section who do not attend.
3. That our schools use the quarterlies, published by the Christian Publishing House, Dayton, Ohio.
4. That vocal music receive more attention.
5. That Mission Sabbath-schools be established in destitute localities

J. W. HATCH,
J. W. FONVILLE,
N. B. HONEYCUTT,
J. A. JONES.

By motion, morning session was extended one-half hour.

The following report was made:

Your Committee on Religious Literature offer the following report:

We desire to emphasize—

1. The use of the religious press is an absolute necessity in our work as a denomination. Without it our people would be comparatively helpless in their efforts to sustain our church enterprises.
2. Along this line of work the *Christian Sun* is serving us well, and deserves a place in every home in our church.
3. Looking to a wider circulation of the paper and, consequently, to its enlarged usefulness, we urge personal effort in securing new subscribers on the part of our pastors and other members.

(1). By endeavoring to place it in every family in the membership of the churches. (2). By earnestly seeking to induce new members to take the paper immediately upon connecting themselves with the church. (3). By raising contributions for the 'Jubilee Fund," and thereby assist in placing the paper in the homes of the afflicted and poor, who are not able to pay for it.

4. We earnestly urge the reading of our denominational books. To this end, we urge our pastors to act as colporters for these books.
5. We commend the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*, of Dayton, Ohio, as a religious paper *worthy* of the *patronage* of our people, when they are able to take both the *Christian Sun* and *Herald.*

J. L. FOSTER,
T. W. STROUD,
S. B. KLAPP.

By motion, time was extended thirty minutes. After the discussion, the report adopted.

Bro. O. M. Dorsett was excused from further attendance.

Adjournment for forty-five minutes.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President in the chair.

The special order was then taken up, it being the election of delegates to the next General Convention. The Committee of Elders appointed to recommend laymen reported the following names as suitable persons for

election: Bros. S. P. Read, E. T. Pierce, W. N. Pritchard, J. M. Moring, Jesse Winborn, G. S. Watson and J. H. Harden, *alternates*, Bro. W. H. Turrentine, Dr. G. W. Long, J. M. Smith.

The report was adopted.

The Committee of Laymen appointed to recommend names of Elders reported the following: Revs. W. S. Long, J. W. Wellons, P. F. Klapp, W. G. Clements, W. T. Herndon, J. L. Foster, J. D. Wicker and J. W. Hatch.

The report of the committee was adopted.

By motion, the Conference allowed the secretary ten dollars for his time and work for the year 1889 and 1890.

A petition from Palmyra Christian church was presented, asking admission into this body. The petition granted and church enrolled.

A certificate of transfer from the Deep River Christian Conference to the N. C. and Va. Christian Conference of Rev. M. S. Elliott, a licentiate of said Conference, was read, and, on motion, he was received as a member of this body.

Report of Committee on Education:

Education means the drawing out, the expansion, the development of all natural powers. Whether you refer to mental or physical culture it signifies strength, influence, power. Ignorance means blindness, inactivity, weakness. True education is a blessing. Ignorance is a curse. We, therefore, call attention to the following recommendations:

1. That the preachers and churches of this Conference look more carefully after the training of the children in our congregations. Where schools suited to our children are not convenient, we should build academies near our churches. Remember that parsimony in the education of our children is liberality towards crime.

2. That we give our united and earnest support to Elon College. This institution belongs to the Christian Church. It was projected by the Convention for the higher education of our people. It is in course of erection and needs the prayers and the aid of all our people. The other Conferences are giving substantial aid to the college, and this one, in which it is located, must not fall behind. Our beloved Zion appeals to you to help make Elon College a grand success.

3. We recommend that the following amounts be asked of the churches to aid in educating young men preparing for the ministry, which fund may be loaned to deserving persons, who may be needing aid.

Antioch, $2.15; Apple's chapel, 7.00; Bethlehem, 7.00; Beulah, 2.00; Turner's church, 2.00; Catawba, 3; Christian chapel, 5.00; Burlington, 2.00; Damascus, 4.00; Ebenezer, 2.00; Good Hope, 2.50; Hanks' chapel, 6.50; Happy Home, 2.00; Hay's chapel, 4.00; Hebron, 2.25; Hines' chapel, 5.00; Kellum Grove, 2.00; Lebanon, 4.00; Liberty (Vance), 3.50; Liberty (Randolph), 1.50; Lockville, 1.00; Martha's chapel, 2.00; Moore Union, 2.50; Morrisville, 2.00; Mt. Auburn, 5.00; Mt. Bethel, 2.00; Mt. Carmel, 1.50; Mt. Hermon, 1.50; Mt. Zion, 1.50; New Elam, 5.00; New Hill, 1.00; New Hope, 3.50; New Providence, 10.00; Oak Level, 4.00; O'Kelley's chapel, 3.00; Pleasant Grove, Va., 6.00; Pleasant Hill chapel, 5.00; Pleasant Hill (Johnston), 4.50; Pleasant Union, 2.00; Pleasant Ridge, 2.00; Pope's chapel, 5.00; Poplar Branch, 2.00; Plymouth, 1.00; Raleigh, 2.00; Salem chapel, 4.50; Shallow Well, 3.50; Shallow Ford, 2.00; Union, Va., 4.50; Union, N. C., 8.50; Wake chapel, 4.50; Walnut Grove, 1.00; Zion, 5.00; Grace chapel, 2.00; Youngsville, 1.50; Pleasant (Johnson), 1.00; Howard's chapel, 2.50; Long's chapel, 3.00; Mt. Pleasant, 1.00; Bethany, 1.00; Keyser, 1.50; Egypt, 1.00; Centre Grove, 1.00; Auburn, 1.50; Sage Garden, 1.00; Christian Light, 1.00; Durham, 2.00; High Point, 1.00; Spilona, 1.00.

We have examined for licensure Bros. G. W. Pinnix and Preston T. Way.

Bro. P. T. Way is recommended for licensure.

Bro. A. P. Barbee was examined as to his call to the ministry, and was admitted to the Biblical class, and given direction in his studies.

For ordination, we have examined Bros. N. B. Honeycutt, D. R. Yarboro, T. W. Stroud and J. W. Fonville.

We recommend the ordination of N. B. Honeycutt, D. R. Yarboro and T. W. Stroud.

W. S. LONG,
W. G. CLEMENTS,
W. T. HERNDON,
P. T. KLAPP.

After earnest discussion, the report was adopted, and Friday, at noon, set apart for the licensure and ordination of those recommended in the above report.

Report of the Executive Committee, to the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference, for 1889:

In January, 1889, the committee held a meeting, and in compliance with a resolution of the Conference of 1888, requesting the Executive Committee to call on the delinquent churches, for payment of the Home Mission assessment of 1887 and '88, and said collection to be appropriated to the benefit of the pastor of the Raleigh Christian Church, the call was made and reported, and five churches responded: Liberty (Vance), Shallow Ford, Raleigh, Mt. Hermon and Union, N. C

As instructed by resolution of last Conference, we corresponded with Rev. Milo Dixon, for not reporting himself to the Conference, as required by our Church Government, chapter 3, section 2.

He promptly returned his certificate of ordination.

The committee instructed the secretary to have three order-books made, and instructed him to draw on the treasurer of Conference for six dollars and seventy-eight cents, for stationery, order-books and postage.

We also published a notice, requesting that the various collections be taken to meet the assessments made by Conference, as follows: February, Home Missions; March, Foreign Missions; April, Education of young preachers; May, Church extension, and June, contingent fund.

The last session of Conference referred the matter of Rev. J. W. Holt—"not recognizing Rev. W. S. Long as a brother minister," to us. The committee corresponded with Rev. J. W. Holt, hoping to settle the said difficulty, but failed. The committee furnished Bro. Holt with charges, specifications, and notice to appear before them, at Raleigh, on the 15th of June, for trial. Rev. J. W. Holt appeared, and protested against the trial before the said committee, claiming it to be illegal and informal; whereupon the committee decided to refer the whole matter to Conference for investigation and final settlement.

In last September certain statements were received by the committee that certain churches in this Conference had passed resolutions which the committee deemed improper, and upon corresponding with those churches, they rescinded their action.

The committee ordered the secretary of Conference to draw an order on the treasurer of Conference for four dollars and eighty cents, to pay Rev. J. L. Foster's traveling expenses in attending the meetings of the Executive Committee.

J. W. WELLONS,
J. L. FOSTER,
M. L. WINSTON.

The report was adopted.

By motion, Rev. P. T. Klapp was excused for the remainder of the afternoon session.

On motion, Conference proceeded to select place for holding next session. Hines' Chapel was chosen.

Report of Committee on Temperance:

Your committee on Temperance, realizing the failure of all former reports to accomplish anything practical, respectfully ask Conference to instruct the churches to withdraw—in a scriptural way—fellowship from all members who make, sell, or drink as a beverage intoxicating liquors.

D H. ALBRIGHT,
C. A. BOON,
J. A. WHITEMAN.

The report was discussed and adopted.

The following were appointed an Ordaining Presbytery: Revs. W. S. Long, J. W. Wellons and W. G. Clements.

Religious exercises by Rev. R. A. Ricks.

Adjourned.

FOURTH DAY—NOVEMBER 22D, 1889.

Conference met at 9:30 A. M.

President in the chair. Religious exercises by Rev. J. W. Holt.

Roll called; minutes read, corrected and approved.

The Committee of Laymen, recommended the following Elders as suitable persons for alternates to the next session of the General Convention: Revs. M. L. Winston, S. B. Klapp, J. U. Newman, J. A. Jones and C. A. Boon. The report was adopted and above elders elected.

On motion, Rev. J. W. Holt was elected to deliver the annual address at the next session of this Conference; Rev. P. T. Klapp was elected alternate.

The letter from Sister Amelia Jones, missionary to Japan, was ordered to be printed in the CHRISTIAN SUN, and sister E. A. Turrentine, of Burlington, N. C., was requested to reply to the letter from Sister Jones, and that said reply from Sister Turrentine be published in the CHRISTIAN SUN.

The following resolutions from Bethlehem and Happy Home churches were read and referred to special committee of five:

BETHLEHEM CHRISTIAN CHURCH, October 19th, 1889.

The following resolution was offered by A. D. Madren:

WHEREAS, a card has been circulated in this section by J. T. Ball, making certain charges against Revs. W. S. Long and W. G. Clements, and naming the Revs. J. W. Wellons and P. T. Klapp as witnesess; and

WHEREAS, Bros. Wellons and Klapp and others have not disclaimed the use of their names in connection with the matter; therefore,

Resolved, That we ask Conference to investigate the matter.

Moved and carried that the secretary forward a copy of this resolution to Conference.

I certify that this is a true copy of the resolution passed by Bethlehem church in its last quarterly Conference, October 19th, 1889. W. A. HALL, *Sec'y.*

HAPPY HOME. August 24th, 1889.

WHEREAS, one John T. Ball has published and circulated a printed card in this State—charging Rev. W. S. Long with hypocricy and falsehood, and asserting that he can prove them to be true by certain ministers of the Christian church and members of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference; therefore,

Resolved, That the church at Happy Home in Quarterly Conference assembled respectfully ask that our annual Conference, which will meet on Tuesday, the 19th of November, 1889, at Hanks' Chapel, Chatham County, N. C., take steps as it may think best in this matter, so that the good name of its ministers, and we, as a denomination, may not be held up to the public in an awkward position.

Resolution passed, and was ordered to be put on the minutes, and a copy to be given the delegate to Conference, praying that it be read in Conference and action had on same. J. A. WHITEMAN, *Pastor.*

J. W. FOSTER, *Secretary.*

On motion, the following resolution was adopted and committee appointed.

Resolved, That the papers which have been presented to this Conference from the churches at Bethlehem and Happy Home be referred to a committee of five persons with instructions to inquire into the correctness and legality of the proceedings both of the Executive Committee of this Conference, and also the proceedings of this Conference at its session in Graham, November 19th, 1886.

2d. That it be instructed to report as to whether the action of the churches at Bethlehem and Happy Home is not in contempt of this body, and a slander upon certain ministers of the same, and that said committee be required to report to the present session of this body.

The chair appointed the committee as follows: Bros. J. M. Moring, C. S. Holleman, and Revs. M. L. Winston, J. D. Wicker and G. R. Underwood.

The Committee on Foreign Missions made the following report:

Your Committee on Foreign Missions is glad to report that the labors of our missionaries have been attended with spiritual prosperity. They have been in Japan now only about two and a half years, yet they have established a half dozen or more preaching places. Up to our last Conference they had been in that far-off land only about eighteen months, and had up to that time organized two churches, and now they have three, with flattering prospects before them for the future. There is a great work of grace going on in Japan; God's cause is beginning to flourish there as the palm and cedar in Lebanon. The prosperity which has marked our efforts should prove to be a stimulus to us for a greater effort in the future. We think in the near future under divine direction, Japan will soon be known as a Christian country, when the powers of sin, idolatry and superstition will give way and the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ will prevail. We wish to note that the prosperity of the Christians has been greater since the year, 1883, when we put forth our first efforts for the cause in foreign lands. We are also thankful to our Heavenly Father that he has given us two other missionaries, Brother H. J. Rhodes and wife, who have been sent by the Christians North. They are before this time in Japan with our dear brother Jones. But we are pained that so many of the churches sent up nothing for this purpose, hence the amounts are far smaller than we had expected.

WHEREAS, The success of the Master's cause does not depend upon the spirit of God only, but upon our liberality and united effort also; therefore, be it

Resolved, 1. That we unite throughout the bounds of our denomination in earnest prayer for the guidance of the Holy Spirit, in giving us other consecrated men and women for the foreign work, and also in the raising of the funds for their support.

2. That the pastors endeavor to get young men and women of their charges to volunteer to raise the amounts called for by the Conference, and in doing this we feel that it will develop them for greater usefulness in the church. Give them a place and encourage them to work, and break down the idea that the preacher has all the work to do.

3. That this body appoint a Secretary of Foreign Missions, whose duty it shall be to write, visit and preach on this subject, as opportunity may afford.

4. That we recommend the following amounts to be raised by the churches for the year, 1890:

Antioch, $4; Apple's Chapel, $12; Bethlehem, $12; Beulah, $4; Christian Chapel, $10; Catawba Springs, $5; Damascus, $8; Ebenezer, $4; Good Hope, $4; Hines' Chapel, $5; Hanks' Chapel, $10; Hayes' Chapel, $4; Howards' Chapel, $4; Hebron (Va.), $5; Kallam Grove, $3; Liberty (Vance), $4; Lockville, $1; Lebanon, $5; Mt. Bethel, $2; Mt. Pisgah, $1; Moore Union, $4; Morrisville, $3; Mt. Zion, $2; Mt. Hermon, $3; Martha's Chapel, $4; Mt. Carmel, $2; New Elam, $5; New Providence, $15; New Hill, $1; New Hope, $5; Keyser, $3; Mt. Pleasant, $1; Youngsville, $5; Pleasant Grove (J.), $1; Grace's Chapel $2; Union Chapel (C.), $1; Auburn, $3; Egypt, $1; Long's Chapel, $3; Walnut Grove, $3; O'Kelley's Chapel, $8; Oak Level, $5; Pleasant Hill (C.), $4; Pleasant Grove (Va.), $15; Pleasant Union, $2; Pleasant Hill (J.), $2; Pope's Chapel, $6; Pleasant Ridge, $1; Poplar Branch, $3; Raleigh, $3; Shallow Well, $6; Salem Chapel, $4; Shallow Ford, $4; Union (Va.), $6; Union (N. C.), $12; Wake Chapel, $6; Zion, $5; Bethany, $3; Christian Light, $1; Durham, $4; Amelia, $1; Liberty (R.), $3; Clover Orchard, $1; Burlington, $5; Plymouth, $2; Turner's Chapel, $2; Concord, $2; Mt. Auburn, $10; Winder, $2; Happy Home, $3; Center Grove, $1; Sage Garden, $1; High Point, $2.

P. T. KLAPP,
W. G. CLEMENTS,
W. T. HERNDON.

The report on Foreign Missions was forcibly and interestingly discussed by Rev. P. T. Klapp, after which a collection was taken amounting to $19.01. The question called and the report adopted.

On motion, Rev. P. T. Klapp was elected Secretary of Foreign Missions.

Bros. Michael, Aldridge, Miles and Rev. A. F. Iseley were excused.

Bro. A. L. Allen, who was appointed to receive money for ANNUALS, reported that he had received to the amount of 726 copies. Rev. J. P. Barrett, editor of the ANNUAL, stated that it would be necessary for this Conference to take 1,000 copies. The roll of churches and ministers was called, and an increased subscription taken, which amounted to something over 1,000 copies.

The following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, The business relations between our pastors and our churches in this Conference are so loosely maintained, often to the loss of the pastors and to the disparagement of the good name of our churches; and

Whereas, Contracts between pastors and churches are sacred, and to maintain our credit as a people, they must be so held; therefore,

Resolved, That we petition to the next session of our General Convention to give us some regulation, or law, by which the business relations between our pastors and churches may be honorably maintained, and justice done toward both parties.

J. L. FOSTER.

The time for the special order having arrived, by request, Rev. W. S. Long proceeded to license Bro. P. T. Way to preach the gospel. The ordaining presbytery then proceeded to ordain the following to the office of Elders in this Conference: Revs. N. B. Honeycutt, T. W. Stroud, D. R. Yarboro.

The ordaining services were conducted in a very solemn and impressive manner, in the presence of a large audience.

Conference adjourned forty-five minutes for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order.

The following resolution by Rev. P. T. Klapp, was adopted:

Resolved, That this Conference authorize T. D. Phillips, Trustee of Sharon Christian Church property, in Mecklenburg County, Va., to sell said property and to turn over the proceeds of said sale to S. P. Read, of Palmer Springs, Va., the committee appointed to receive said funds.

The Committee on Finance made the following report, which, after discussion, was adopted:

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to report that we have examined the book and accounts of Rev. J. W. Hatch, Treasurer, and find them correct, with proper vouchers for money paid out. By examining the proceedings of the Conference of 1884, we found that John M. Moring, Treasurer, had in hand of Susan F. Phillips, $441.64; also found that in 1885, the Conference ordered it to be let, loaned or deposited with the Raleigh Christian Church, at the rate of six per cent. per annum interest, and in 1888 the Treasurer states that it was so disposed of and that he has never received it in any shape.

We recommend that the Executive Committee get up a statement of what amount was so deposited, when, and by whom, and report to the next Conference.

M. L. WINSTON,
WM. S. PETTY,
J. W. FOSTER.

The report of Committee on Home Missions:

The Committee on Home Missions beg leave to submit the following report:

We cannot do better than reiterate the sentiments of our last partial report to your body. If we succeed in building up our cause at any point without vigorous missionary effort, it will be as an exception rather than according to the rule in church work. Much discretion should be exercised, however, as to the points for inaugurating our mission efforts. We may cripple ourselves and fail of success by following poor judgment in the distribution of our funds and labor in this work. We think it a mistake to try to establish ourselves in territory already occupied by others. There are new and inviting fields, white unto harvest before us, that invite us to enter andreap bountifully. But to be successful in such fields we need the most efficient laborers—men possessing a high order of talents. We are unable to report in detail the success that has attended our efforts during the past year. We are almost entirely without funds at present.

We recommend the payment of fifty dollars to Rev. W. T. Herndon, as conditionally recommended by this committee at last Conference.

We recommend the appropriation of one hundred and twenty five dollars to Rev. W. H. Roach, for mission services in High Point, N. C., the ensuing year.

We recommend the appropriation of one hundred and twenty-five dollars to sustain Rev. W. T. Herndon in charge of the Durham church, to be paid quarterly.

We recommend the appropriation of twenty-five dollars to help sustain the pastor of Mt. Zion.

We recommend the appropriation of twenty five dollars to the pastor of Christian Light.

We recommend the payment of ten dollars to Rev G. R. Underwood for services at Winder, N. C.

We recommend the appropriation of twenty-five dollars to Rev. J. W. Hatch for services at Egypt, N C.

We recommend that the ministers receiving aid under the appropriations of this report, be required to make full reports in writing, stating what good results have been accomplished by the same. The information to be for the benefit of this committee in its future work.

We recommend that the ministers and churches inaugurate plans in the early part of the year for raising the assessments for Home Missions.

We recommend that each minister preach a sermon at his church on the subject of Home Missions.

We find a number of churches are likely to be without preaching next year, but we have no funds with which to sustain ministers at these points.

We recommend that Rev. W. G. Clements be requested to make an earnest effort to clear the Raleigh church of the claim held against it by Rev. M. L. Hurley.

We recommend the following assessments for Home Missions next year:

Antioch, $10; Apple's Chapel, 30; Amelia, 2; Auburn, 10; Bethlehem, 40; Beulah, 10; Burlington, 6; Bethany, 2.50; Catawba Springs, 20; Christian Chapel, 25; Clover Orchard, 4; Concord, 10; Center Grove, 5; Christian Light, 2; Damascus, 25; Durham, 5; Ebenezer, 10; Egypt, 2; Grace Chapel, 10; Good Hope, 15; Hanks' Chapel, 25; Happy Home, 5; Hayes' Chapel, 20; Hebron, 12; Hines' Chapel, 20; Howard's Chapel, 10; High Point, 5; Kallum Grove, 6; Keyser, 10; Lebanon, 20; Liberty, Vance county, 10; Liberty, Randolph county, 5; Lockville, 5; Long's Chapel, 15; Martha's Chapel, 15; Moore Union, 12; Morrisville, 12; Mt. Auburn, 45; Mt. Bethel, 6; Mt. Carmel, 8; Mt. Hermon, 8; Mt. Pisgah, 3; Mt. Zion, 6; Mt. Pleasant, 4; New Elam, 20; New Hope, 12; New Hill, 4; New Providence, 50; Oak Level, 25; O'Kelley Chapel, 20; Pleasant Grove, Va., 40; Pleasant Hill (C), 20;

Pleasant Union, 10; Pleasant Hill (J), 15; Pleasant Ridge, 10; Pope's Chapel, 30; Poplar Branch, 10; Plymouth, 5; Pleasant Grove (J), 2; Raleigh, 10; Spilona, 3; Salem Chapel, 20; Shallow Well, 25; Shallow Ford, 12; Turner's Chapel, 6; Union, Va., 20; Union Chapel, 2; Union, N. C., 42.50; Wake Chapel, 20; Walnut Grove, 5; Winder, 5; Youngsville, 8; Zion, 15; Sage Garden, 3.

J. W. HOLT,
S. B. KLAPP,
J. D. WICKER,
G. R. UNDERWOOD.

After an able discussion by Rev. J. W. Holt, and remarks by other brethren, the report was adopted.

On motion, the Secretary was ordered to draw warrants on the Treasurer for amounts recommended in the report of the Committee on Home Missions.

Resolved, That the Committee on Education be authorized to lend money to worthy young men, who are preparing for the ministry, and take their notes for the amount without interest.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion by Rev. W. S. Long, the following was adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Home Missions be requested to call on delinquent churches for the amounts now due, and that the committee appropriate one hundred dollars out of the amount so collected to the Reidsville Christian Church.

The following was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That the members of this body tender their sincere thanks to the members of this church and community, also to the people of Pittsboro for their kind hospitality to us during this session, and also to the railroad officers for reduced rates.

P. T. KLAPP.

The committee to whom the resolutions from Bethlehem and Happy Home churches was referred, made the following report:

We, your committee to whom was referred the resolutions from Bethlehem and Happy Home churches with instructions, have had before us the pastors of those churches, and Brother Hall, of Bethlehem, and also brethren W. S. Long, P. T. Klapp and J. W. Wellons, and having considered the matters before us respectfully report.

We find that the action of the Executive Committee in January, 1885, as announced in their decision of that date was regular and legal. That the same was signed by W. G. Clements, Chairman; W. S. Long and J. W. Hatch, Executive Committee, and by J. W. Wellons and P. T. Klapp, prosecuting committee, and was afterwards published in the CHRISTIAN SUN. Brethren J. W. Wellons and P. T. Klapp, desire your committee to state that any and all assertions made by J. T Ball, to the effect that he could prove by them that W. S Long and W. G. Clements have been guilty of falsehood or other immoral conduct is false, but on the contrary they endorse as true the aforesaid published decision of the Executive Committee.

We find that the action of this Conference, November 22, 1886, in deposing Jno. T. Ball as an Elder, among other charges, for malice and falsehood, was in all respects legal.

In view of the foregoing legal and binding proceedings in regard to the said Jno. T. Ball, it is a matter of surprise and regret that any church within the bounds of this Conference should have in any way countenanced his efforts to sow discord among our people, and while we are of the opinion from the evidence before us that Bethlehem and Happy Home churches intended no contempt of this body or reflection upon the character of our ministers, and acquit them thereof, yet we feel constrained to condemn their action as being taken without that prudence and caution enjoined by the Scriptures.

It has come to the knowledge of your committee that other churches have been agitated from this same source. To all who have been thus disturbed, we recommend that the Conference send fraternal greeting, with the earnest admonition that they turn a deaf ear to the insinuations of the arch enemies of the church, in whatever shape they come.

JNO. M. MORING,
M. L. WINSTON,
C. S. HOLLEMAN,
G. R. UNDERWOOD,
J. D. WICKER.

The report was unanimously adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

J. W. HATCH, *Treasurer in account with N. C. and Va. Christian Conference.*

1889.	HOME MISSIONS.	CR.	DR.
Nov. 17.	To balance on hand at last report, November, 1888		$ 152 51
Nov. 17.	To cash received at Conference, 1888		297 21
Feb. 4.	By cash paid W. T. Herndon ... Order No. 2	$ 37 50	
May 8.	" " " " ... " 4	37 50	
July 20.	" " " " ... " 4	37 50	
Oct. 26.	" " " " ... " 56	37 50	
1888.			
Nov. 16.	" " N. B. Honeycutt ... " 58	50 00	
Nov. 16.	" " W. H. Roach ... " 59	50 00	
Nov. 16.	" " C. A. Boon ... " 60	25 00	
Nov. 16.	" " J. A. Whiteman ... " 62	25 00	
Nov. 16.	" " M L Hurley ... " 65	50 00	
	By commissions on $647.21 @ 1½ per cent	9 70	
	Balance on hand	90 02	
		$449 72	$449 72

1889.	FOREIGN MISSIONS.	CR.	DR.
Nov. 19.	To balance at last report, November 16th, 1888		$ 2 45
Nov. 19.	To amount received at Conference, 1888		201 34
1888.			
Nov. 16.	By cash paid Board Foreign Missions, No. 63	$ 196 51	
	By commissions on $397.85 @ 1½ per cent	5 96	
	Balance on hand	1 32	
		$203 79	$203 79

1889.	EDUCATIONAL FUND.	CR.	DR.
Nov. 19.	To balance on hand at last report, November, 1888		$ 150 27
	To amount received at Conference, 1888		24 58
	By commissions on $24.58 @ 1½ per cent	$ 36	
	Balance on hand	174 49	
		$174 85	$174 85

1889.	CHURCH EXTENSION FUND.	CR.	DR.
Nov. 19.	To balance on hand November, 1888		$ 34 16
Nov. 19.	To cash received at Conference, 1888		22 53
Feb. 2.	By cash paid G. R. Underwood, No. 1	$ 10 00	
1888.			
Nov. 16.	By cash paid C. A. Boon, No. 61	25 00	
	By commissions on $57.53 @ 1½ per cent	86	
	Balance on hand	20 83	
		$56 69	$56 69

1889.	CONVENTION FUND.	CR.	DR.
Nov. 19.	To balance on hand November, 1888		$ 5 66
1888.			
Nov. 16.	By commissions @ 1½ per cent	$ 08	
	By cash paid Treasurer General Convention, No. 64	5 58	
		$5 66	$5 66

1889.	CONTINGENT FUND.	CR.	DR.
Nov. 19.	To balance on hand November, 1888		74 06
	By amount received November, 1888, at Conference		31 96
Feb. 3.	By cash paid J. L Foster, Secretary, No. 3	6 78	
Oct. 7.	" " " " " " 6	4 80	
1888.			
Nov. 16.	" " J. U. Newman, No. 57	3 75	
	By commissions on $47.29 @ 1½ per cent	70	
	Balance on hand	89 99	
		106 02	106 02

1889.	FOR ESTABLISHING SCHOOLS.	CR.	DR
Nov. 19.	To am't received at Conference, 1888, from Burlington		50

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. HATCH, *Treas.,*
N. C. and Va. Christian Conference.

Fraternal Messengers were called and the following reported: Revs. W. S. Long, J. W. Wellons, J. L. Foster, have attended the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference and find the work in a growing condition, and received a hearty welcome.

Rev. J. W. Holt reported; have attended the Georgia and Alabama Conference, the cause there is very encouraging and the field is opening for the Christian Church.

Conference then proceeded to the election of Fraternal Messengers for 1890. as follows: *To the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference:* Revs. W. S. Long, D. D., J. W. Wellons, P. T. Klapp, J. L. Foster and Prof. J. H. Moring. *To the Deep River Christian Conference:* Revs. J. W. Holt, J. W. Hatch and C. A. Boon. *To the Valley Virginia Christian Conference:* Revs. M. L. Winston, N. B. Honeycutt, J. W. Wellons, W. G. Clements and W. T. Herndon. *To the Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference:* Rev. J. W. Holt and W. G. Clements.

On motion, the Treasurer was ordered to pay to the Board of Foreign Missions, amount on hand, and the Secretary draw warrant for the same.

On motion by Rev. T. B. Dawson, the Secretary was instructed to draw order on the Treasurer for fifteen dollars each, for High Point and Beulah churches, from the Church Extention fund.

The name of Union Chapel, Chatham County, N. C., was ordered to be stricken from the church roll of this Conference.

A motion to refer the matter contained in the Executive Committee's report, referring to Rev. J. W. Holt, to a committee of three, was carried; and the Chair appointed the following: J. M. Moring, W. G. Clements and G. R. Underwood.

By motion, it was determined when this body adjourn, it adjourn to meet with the church at Hines' Chapel in Guilford County, on Tuesday after the third Sunday in November, 1890.

Rev. P. T. Klapp was excused to attend an appointment in Pittsboro for preaching.

The committee to whom was referred the matter referring to Rev. J. W. Holt in the Executive Committee's report, submitted the following, which was unanimously adopted:

Your committee to whom was referred that part of the report of the Executive Committee referring to Rev. J. W. Holt, respectfully report that we have considered the matters in connection therewith, and have had a conference with Brother Holt, and upon statements made by him that he has endeavored to keep and abide by the agreement heretofore made by him before the committee of Elders at the Conference at New Elam, and that he will continue so to do, we do hereby recommend that the charge against Brother J. W. Holt be withdrawn, and no further proceedings be had thereon.

JNO. M. MORING,
W. G. CLEMENTS,
G. R. UNDERWOOD.

On motion, Conference adjourned to meet with the church at Hines' Chapel, in Guilford County, N. C., on Tuesday after the third Sunday in November, 1890.

The congregation then engaged in singing, "God be with you until we meet again," after which followed a very happy meeting, in which many of the brethren expressed themselves, in the most happy and brotherly terms, as being ready and willing to enter more fully upon the Master's cause, and praying the greatest prosperity upon our church. Thus closed one of the most prosperous years of our history, and the most happy annual session of this body for a long time.

Prayer by Rev. J. W. Wellons.

Adjourned.

W. T. HERNDON, *President, Morrisville, N. C.*
JAS. L. FOSTER, *Secretary, Raleigh, N. C.*
J. M. MORING, *Assistant Secretary, Durham, N. C.*

FOR STATISTICAL TABLE, see pages 78 and 79.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

A. G. ANDERSON.—Have been in poor health; had no charge.

W. G. CLEMENTS.—Had charge of four churches; preached one hundred sermons; conversions twenty. Many times rejoicing.

J. L. FOSTER.—Served Raleigh and Auburn; sermons one hundred and five; conversions thirty.

J. W. HATCH.—Served Antioch and Egypt; sermons sixty; conversions eight.

W. T. HERNDON.—Served four churches; sermons one hundred; conversions one hundred and fifty-two; had charge of Durham enterprise.

J. W. HOLT.—Served Bethlehem; sermons sixty five; conversions fifty; visited Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference; assisted in protracted meetings.

A. F. ISELEY.—Served three churches; sermons ninety-three; conversions sixteen; superintending at Elon College.

E. T. ISELEY.—Served three churches; sermons seventy six; conversions seven.

L. W. MANGUM.—Served two churches; preached sixty-one sermons and did other work.

J. A. JONES.—Served four churches; sermons one hundred and ten; conversions forty; members received thirty-five.

P. T. KLAPP.—Served five churches; sermons one hundred; conversions forty-eight.

S. B. KLAPP.—Served four churches; sermons one hundred and fourteen; conversions forty.

W. S. LONG.—No pastoral charge; have traveled, preached and lectured in behalf of Elon College.

L. C. MADISON.—No charge on account of bad health; sermons fourteen.

J. U. NEWMAN.—Served New Providence; sermons twenty-five; conversions fifty.

JNO. W. PATTON.—Served five churches; sermons sixty-one; conversions twenty-two.

J. W. PINNIX.—Served Pleasant Ridge.

W. H. ROACH.—Served two churches; sermons sixty-six; conversions thirty-two.

G. R. UNDERWOOD.—Served six churches; sermons one hundred and eighty-two; conversions sixty-one.

J. W. WELLONS.—Served five churches; conversions fifty five.

N. B. HONEYCUTT.—Had one charge; preached at other churches; assisted in six revival meetings.

JOHN A. WHITEMAN.—Served Happy Home and a mission; sermons ninety-four; conversions two.

M. L. WINSTON.—Sermons fifteen; had no charge.

J. D. WICKER.—Served five churches; sermons one hundred and fifty; conversions fifty-two.

H. C. FULTON.—Served three churches; conversions twenty.

J. W. FONVILLE.—Charge, Mt. Zion; associate pastor of Longs' Chapel; conversions twenty-two; sermons thirty-six.

T. W. STROUD.—Attended University; had no charge; sermons eighteen.

D. R. YARBOROUGH.—No charge; sermons twenty-one; going to school.

T. B. DAWSON.—Sermons forty-five; have no charge.

C. A. BOON.—Sermons seventy-six; conversions .....; served three churches.

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Sage Garden	W. H. Roach	J. A. Holder, Kernersville

The following churches made no report: Salem Chapel, Mt. Pisgah, Kallum's Grove, Egypt, Clover Orchard, Amelia and Antioch (W.).

TABLE.

No. Reported last session.	No. Rec'd since.	Dis. by Letter	Suspended.	Withdrawn.	Died.	Expelled.	Present M'b'rship	Amount Paid Pastor.	For Schools.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions	To Educate Young Preachers.	Church Extens'n.	Contingent Fund	For other Purposes.	Total Amount Collected.	Value of Church Property.
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REV. NICHOLAS SUMMERBELL, D. D.

REV. NICHOLAS SUMMERBELL, D. D., was the son of James and Mary Summerbell, and was born in Westchester Co., N. Y., March 8, 1816, and died of heart disease, in Yellow Springs, O., January 4, 1889, aged 73 years. His father was a minister in the M. E. Church. Under the labors of Rev. I. N. Walter, Dr. Summerbell was converted in New York City, in 1837, at the age of 21 years. He soon entered the ministry and was ordained January 5, 1841, at Adamsville, R. I. February 9, 1843, he was married, in Hope, N. J., to Miss E. J. Sutton, who still survives him. At different times he was pastor of fifteen churches, from Rhode Island to Iowa, from two to ten years each. He was the first President of Union Christian College, at Merom, Ind., and was at one time, also, editor of the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*. At another time he was editor of the *Christian Pulpit*, a monthly magazine. In 1863 he became chaplain of the 115th regiment of Indiana volunteers.

As an author he gained high distinction. His pen was prolific and his brain fertile. As a debater he had few equals. The man who expected to meet him in debate and go away with the honors of the occasion, was doomed to disappointment. His son, Rev. J. J. Summerbell, D. D., is preparing his biography. His life is a grand subject and in good hands.

A Morning Act of Faith.

I believe in the name of the Son of God.

Therefore, I am in Him, having redemption through His blood, and life by His Spirit.

And He is in me, and all fullness is in Him.

To Him I belong, by purchase, conquest and self surrender.

To me He belongs, for all my hourly need.

There is no cloud between my Lord and me.

There is no difficulty, inward or outward, which He is not ready to meet in me to-day.

The Lord is my keeper. Amen!

A REUNITED CHURCH.

REV. D. E. MILLARD. REV. C. V. STRICKLAND.

With animation.

1 For years the wild-winds blew, At length the dread storm came, The Union rent in two, Brought sorrow, grief and shame.

2 War's fierce and dreadful strife, Burst forth with savage yell, And brave men yielded life, Till countless thousands fell.

3 The church was rent in twain, And Christians fell a - part, The very thought brings pain, To each true brother's heart.

CHORUS.

Re - joice the storm is o'er, And peace and love now reign. We'll work as ne'er be - fore, We'll ral - ly now a - gain.

Yes, work as ne'er be - fore, is o'er,

4 Swift time has flown since then,
And sep'rate paths we've trod;
The Nation's one again
And we are one in God.

5 Let all the wide world o'er,
Know we are one in love,
And never, never more,
Will strive as we have strove.

6 God haste the glorious day,
When all divided bands,
Shall be as Christians pray,
One host throughout all lands.

Composed and sung at the reunion of the Christian Church, North and South, at the American Christian Convention, Marion, Ind., Oct. 1890.

TIME.

The calculations of this Almanac are made in mean solar or clock time, which is indicated by a well regulated clock or watch, and does not correspond with the sun precisely, except on four days of the year.

Apparent time is that which makes the Sun come to the meridian at 12 o'clock. No good clock will run with the Sun; if set with the Sun on the 2d of January, the clock will seem to be one minute too fast on the 3d of January.

To adapt the calculations of this Almanac to apparent time, use the minutes in the column marked "Sun slow" or "Sun fast;" add them when fast, subtract them when slow.

RISING AND SETTING OF THE SUN.

The Almanacs generally used have made the rising and setting of the Sun together equal twelve hours. This is incorrect. During some portions of the year the Sun changes so rapidly in Right Ascension and Declination that it makes a material change in the Diurnal Arc during the day. The times here given have been rigorously calculated and compared with the authority, and are true to the nearest whole minute.

TWELVE SIGNS OF THE ZODIAC.

The Head and Face sign. ♈ Aries the Ram.....Ar.

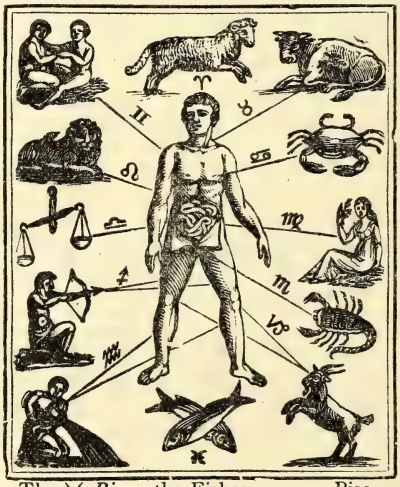
♊ Arms.
Gemini.... Gem.
Twins.

♌ Heart.
Leo..... Lion.
Lion.

♎ Reins.
Libra..... Lib.
Balance.

♐ Thighs.
Sagittarius..Sag.
Bowman.

♒ Legs.
Aquarius....Aq.
Waterman.



♉ Neck.
Taurus.... Tau.
Bull.

♋ Breast.
Cancer..... Can.
Crab.

♍ Bowels.
Virgo..... Vir.
Virgin.

♏ Loins.
Scorpio...Scorp.
Scorpion.

♑ Knees.
Capricornus.Cap
Goat.

The)(*Pisces* the Fishes.....Pisc.

To know where the sign is, find the day of the month, and against the day in the column marked Moon's Signs you have the sign or place of the Moon, and then find the sign; it will give you the part of the body it is supposed to govern.

SIGNS.

Spring Signs.
- ♈ Aries, or Ram.
- ♉ Taurus, or Bull.
- ♊ Gemini, or Twins.

Summer Signs.
- ♋ Cancer, or Crab-fish.
- ♌ Leo, or Lion.
- ♍ Virgo, or Virgin.

Autumn Signs.
- ♎ Libra, or Balance.
- ♏ Scorpio, or Scorpion.
- ♐ Sagittarius, or Bowman.

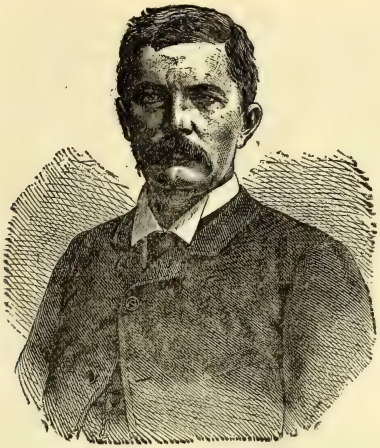
Winter Signs.
- ♑ Capricornus, or Goat.
- ♒ Aquarius, or Waterman.
- ♓ Pisces, or Fishes.

SIGNS OF THE PLANETS.

☀ Sun.	☽ Moon.	♀ Venus.	♂ Mars.
♃ Jupiter.	♄ Saturn.	☌ In conjunction.	☐ Quadrature.
☿ Mercury.	♅ Uranus.	Neptune.	☊ Ascending Node.

MOON'S PHASES.

● New Moon.	☽ First Quarter.	○ Full Moon.	☾ Last Quarter.



HENRY M. STANLEY.

The greatest explorer of modern times was born in 1840, in Denleigh, Wales. His real name is not Stanley, but John Rowland. His parents were too poor to provide a home for him, and at three years of age he was put in charge of the parish of St. Asaph, and he was reared in an almshouse. He came to America on board a ship as cabin boy. In New Orleans he met a gentleman by the name of Stanley, who took a fancy to the boy, and later did much for him, adopting him as his son. Hence his name. The remainder of his history is so well known that we need only mention the fact that he was recently married in London to Miss Tennant, and is perhaps the most widely known man in the world.

Why Am I Not a Christian?

1. Is it because I am afraid of ridicule and what others may say of me?
"Whosoever shall be ashamed of me, and my words, of him shall the Son of Man be ashamed."
2. Is it because of the inconsistencies of professing Christians?
"Every man shall give an account of himself to God."
3. Is it because I am not willing to give all to Christ?
"What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul?"
4. Is it because I am afraid I will not be accepted?
"Him that cometh unto me, I will in no wise cast out."
5. Is it because I fear I am too great a sinner?
"The blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth from all sin."
7. Is it because I am afraid I shall not hold out?
"He that hath begun a good work in you will perform it unto the day of Jesus Christ."
7. Is it because I am thinking that I will do as well as I can, and that God ought to be satisfied with that?
"Whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all."
8. Is it because I am postponing the matter without any definite reason?
"Boast not thyself of to morrow, for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth."

1st Month. ***JANUARY, 1891.*** ***31 Days.***

Moon's Phases.

	D.	H.	M.			D.	H.	M.	
☾ Last Quarter,	3	5	4	a. m.	☽ First Quarter,	17	1	9	a. m.
New Moon,	10	10	16	a. m.	Full Moon,	24	7	17	p. m.

Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun rises.		Sun sets.		Sun slow.	Sun's decline south.		ASPECTS OF PLANETS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS MATTER.	Moon's place.	Moon rises or sets.		Moon south.		Tides at Southport.	
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2	Fr	7	10	5	0	5	22	54	☾ ☿ in ♑.		11	24	5	24	0	43
3	Sat	7	10	5	1	5	22	49	Bat. Princeton 1777.		sets	E	6	5	1	24
First Sunday.											Day's length 9 hours 51 minutes.					
4	***D.***	7	10	5	1	5	22	42	♂ ♁ ☽- ☿ stationary.		0	48	6	47	2	6
5	Mon	7	10	5	2	6	22	36	Bombardment of Paris '71.		1	31	7	31	2	50
6	Tue	7	10	5	3	6	22	29			2	20	8	19	3	38
7	We	7	9	5	4	7	22	21	♂ ♀ ☽.		3	12	9	12	4	31
8	Thu	7	9	5	5	7	22	13	♀ in peri.		4	10	10	9	5	28
9	Fri	7	9	5	6	8	22	5	Louis Napoleon d. '73		5	11	11	11	6	30
10	Sat	7	9	5	6	8	21	56	♂ ☿ ☽.		6	12	eve.		7	34
Second Sunday.											Day's length 9 hours 58 minutes.					
11	***D.***	7	9	5	7	8	21	46	Alabama seceded '61.		7	18	1	19	8	38
12	Mon	7	9	5	8	9	21	37	♂ ♃ ☽.		8	19	2	19	9	38
13	Tue	7	9	5	9	9	21	27	♂ ☿ ☉ Ro. Bruce d. 1611		9	16	3	15	10	34
14	We	7	9	5	10	10	21	16	Fort Fisher fell 1865.		10	9	4	8	11	27
15	Thu	7	9	5	11	10	21	5	Andrew Jackson b. 1767.		10	58	4	58	morn	
16	Fri	7	9	5	12	10	20	54	Gibbon died 1794.		11	46	5	46	0	17
17	Sat	7	8	5	13	11	20	42	☿ great. Hel. Lat. N.		rises.		6	33	1	5
Third Sunday.											Day's length 10 hours 6 minutes.					
18	***D.***	7	8	5	14	11	20	30			0	33	7	22	1	52
19	Mon	7	8	5	15	11	20	17	♂ ♅ ☽. R. E. Lee b. 1807		1	22	8	11	2	41
20	Tue	7	8	5	15	11	20	4	D. Gorrich died 1778.		2	11	9	2	3	30
21	We	7	7	5	16	12	19	51			3	2	9	54	4	21
22	Thu	7	7	5	17	12	19	38	Henry VIII born 1547,		3	54	10	46	5	13
23	Fri	7	6	5	18	12	19	24	J. Q. Adams d. 1848.		4	46	11	37	6	5
24	Sat	7	6	5	19	12	19	9	☿ stationary.		5	37	morn		7	0
Fourth Sunday.											Day's length 10 hours 15 minutes.					
25	***D.***	7	5	5	20	13	18	54			sets.		0	27	7	46
26	Mon	7	4	5	21	13	18	39			7	14	1	14	8	33
27	Tue	7	3	5	22	13	18	24	Mozart died 1756.		7	57	1	58	9	16
28	We	7	3	5	23	13	18	8	♂ ♄ ☽-		8	41	2	41	10	0
29	Thu	7	2	5	24	13	17	52			9	21	3	22	10	41
30	Fri	7	2	5	25	14	17	36	♀ great. Hel. Lat. N.		10	3	4	2	11	11
31	Sat	7	2	5	26	14	17	19	Great Eastern launched '58		10	44	4	43	E.	2

WEATHER CONJECTURES—JANUARY.—1, 2, 3, hoar frost, unless the wind be S. or S. W.; 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, rain; 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, rain; 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, hoar frost unless the wind be S. or S. W.; 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, fair and frosty if the wind N. or N. E.; rain or snow if S. or S. W.

CAPT. PRATT AND HIS WORK.

In 1875 a number of Indian prisoners of war were brought from the Indian Territory to Florida, and were, at the instance of Gen. Philip Sheridan, placed under the superintendency of Capt. Pratt. With wonderful energy this man set about to solve the problem, how to secure for his wards the intellectual as well as physical training necessary for an industrious and civilized life. Capt. Pratt, who is every inch a soldier, and also, we are told, a Christian, took advantage of every agency calculated to benefit those immortals placed under his care. The quarters of his military post were located at the old city of St. Augustine. A number of wealthy American ladies spent the winter at that place. These ladies Capt. Pratt interested in his project, and, to their honor be it said, they were at once ready, not only to aid the noble man in giving those children of n .ture instruction in the arts of civilized life, but also to impart to them the knowledge of God our Savior. In short, the undertaking was a success in every respect. Encouraged by this success, Capt. Pratt made an offer to the Government to educate three hundred Indian children, provided the old barracks at Carlisle, Pennsylvania, were placed at his disposal. The Government accepted his offer, and on November 1, 1879, Capt. Pratt opened his school at Carlisle with one hundred and seventy-four students.

In this school not only intellectual subjects are taught, but also all kinds of trades and the art of housekeeping. In short, it is the aim to train the students of both sexes for the duties and pursuits of a civilized

2d Month. **FEBRUARY, 1891.** **28 Days.**

Moon's Phases.

	D.	H.	M.			D.	H.	M.
Last Quarter,	1	11	34 a. m.		First Quarter,	15	1	20 p. m.
New Moon,	8	9	4 p. m.		Full Moon,	23	2	10 p. m.

Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Sun slow.	Sun's decline south.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS MATTER.	Moon's place.	Moon rises or sets.	Moon south.	Tides at Southport.
First Sunday.								Day's length 10 hours 26 minutes.		
1	D.	7 1	5 27	14	17 2	Peace conference '65.		sets E	morn	E. 44
2	Mon	7 1	5 28	14	16 45			0 10	6 10	1 29
3	Tue	7 0	5 29	14	16 27	Att. on Ft. Donaldson '63.		0 58	6 58	2 17
4	We	6 59	5 30	14	16 9			1 51	7 52	3 11
5	Thu	6 58	5 31	14	15 51	♂ ♀ ☽. Carlyle d. 1881.		2 50	8 50	4 9
6	Fri	6 58	5 32	14	15 33	♀ greatest Elong. W.		3 51	9 52	5 11
7	Sat	6 57	5 33	14	15 14	♂ ☿ ☽. ♂ ♃ ☽.		4 55	10 56	6 15
Second Sunday.								Day's length 10 hours 38 minutes.		
8	D.	6 56	5 34	14	14 55	Fall of Roan'ke Isl.'62		5 58	11 59	7 18
9	Mon	6 55	5 35	14	14 36	Gen. Hancock d. '86.		6 56	eve.	8 16
10	Tue	6 54	5 36	14	14 16	☿ in ♉.		7 55	1 55	9 14
11	We	6 53	5 37	14	13 57			8 49	2 48	10 7
12	Thu	6 53	5 38	14	13 37	♂ ☿ ☽. Seymour d. '86.		8 38	3 38	10 57
13	Fri	6 52	5 39	14	13 17	♃ sta. ♂ ♃ ☉.		10 27	4 28	11 47
14	Sat	6 51	5 40	14	12 56	VALENTINE'S DAY		11 17	5 17	morn
Third Sunday.								Day's length 10 hours 51 minutes.		
15	D.	6 50	5 41	14	12 36			sets M	6 7	0 36
16	Mon	6 49	5 42	14	12 15			0 7	6 58	1 26
17	Tue	6 48	5 43	14	11 54	Peace with England 1815.		0 58	7 50	2 16
18	We	6 47	5 44	14	11 33	Luther died 1546.		1 50	8 42	3 9
19	Thu	6 46	5 45	14	11 12			2 41	9 34	4 1
20	Fri	6 45	5 46	14	10 50	☿ in Aphelion.		3 34	10 24	4 53
21	Sat	6 43	5 47	14	10 28	♂ in ♋.		4 23	11 12	5 43
Fourth Sunday.								Day's length 11 hours 6 minutes.		
22	D.	6 42	5 48	14	10 7	☐ ♆ ☉.		5 12	11 56	6 31
23	Mon	6 41	5 48	13	9 45	G. Washington b. 1732		5 56	12 39	7 15
24	Tue	6 40	5 48	13	9 22	♂ ♄ ☽.		6 39	morn	7 58
25	We	6 39	5 49	13	9 8	Battle of Trenton 1776		7 21	1 21	8 40
26	Thu	6 38	5 50	13	8 38	Bonaparte es. Elba 1815.		8 2	2 1	9 20
27	Fri	6 37	5 51	13	8 15			8 41	2 41	10 0
28	Sat	6 36	5 52	13	7 53	♂ ♁ ☽. Dr. Wingate d. '79		9 22	3 23	10 42

WEATHER CONJECTURES—FEBRUARY.—1, cold; 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, cold high wind; 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, fair and frosty if wind N. or N. E.; rain or snow if S. or S. W.; 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, rain and snow; 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, fair and mild.

life. During the summer season the pupils are placed out among surrounding farmers, where they not only become practically acquainted with farm work, but also from experience learn the advantages of a civilized and Christian home life.

WHO ARE THEY?

We think our readers will hardly believe that the faces in the group on this page belong to Indians, but such is the fact. Dressed like white boys and girls, and educated in the same way, they could hardly be distinguished from them. In fact, we call the group of faces fine-looking and intelligent. They are from Capt. Pratt's school. With education, the Indian stands a chance in the world.

Many of the students, both male and female, have already graduated, and have gone back to their tribes, and now in turn use for the benefit of their kindred the knowledge they acquired. May the good work go on, until there shall not be an uncivilized and unchristianized red man on our continent.

3d Month. ***MARCH, 1891.*** ***31 Days.***

Moon's Phases.

	D.	H.	M.			D.	H.	M.	
☾ Last Quarter,	3	2	29	p. m.	☽ First Quarter,	17	4	2	a. m.
● New Moon,	10	6	43	a. m.	○ Full Moon,	25	8	4	a. m.

Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Sun slow.	Sun's decline south.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS MATTER.	Moon's place.	Moon rises or sets.	Moon south.	Tides at Southport.
First Sunday.								Day's length 11 hours 21 minutes.		
1	D.	6 34	5 55	12	7 30	Czar Nicholas died 1858.	♋	riees	morn	11 40
2	Mon	6 32	5 56	12	7 7		♋	10 52	4 52	E 11
3	Tue	6 30	5 57	12	6 44	☾	♋	11 42	5 42	1 1
4	We	6 28	5 58	12	6 21	Alex. Stephens d. '83.	♌	morn	6 37	1 56
5	Thu	6 26	6 00	12	5 58	Thames Tunnel op. '43.	♌	1 35	7 35	2 54
6	Fri	6 24	6 0	11	5 35	♂ ♀ ☽. Mas. Alamo, '36.	♌	2 36	8 36	3 55
7	Sat	6 23	6 1	11	5 11	Battle Elkhorn, 1862.	♌	3 37	9 38	4 57
Second Sunday								Day's length 11 hours 39 minutes.		
8	D.	6 22	6 1	11	4 48	♂ ♄ ☽.	♌	4 38	10 38	5 57
9	Mon	6 20	6 2	11	4 25	Bat. Vera Cruz, '47.	♍	5 37	11 36	6 55
10	Tue	6 18	6 3	10	4 1		♍	6 36	eve.	7 50
11	We	6 17	6 4	10	3 37		♍	sets E	1 24	8 43
12	Thu	6 16	6 5	10	3 14	☿ greatest Hel. Lat S.	♍	8 14	2 15	9 34
13	Fri	6 14	6 6	9	2 50	♂ ♂ ☽.	♎	9 7	3 7	10 26
14	Sat	6 13	6 6	9	2 27	West Point estab. 1802.	♎	9 57	3 58	11 17
Third Sunday.								Day's length 11 hours 55 minutes.		
15	D.	6 12	6 7	9	2 3	♂ ♆ ☽.	♏	10 50	4 51	morn
16	Mon	6 11	6 8	9	1 39	Munroe born 1751.	♏	11 44	5 44	0 10
17	Tue	6 9	6 9	8	1 15		♏	morn	6 37	1 3
18	We	6 8	6 10	8	0 52	Suez Canal compl. '69.	♐	0 37	7 30	1 56
19	Thu	6 6	6 11	8	0 28	Milan Revolt, 1848.	♐	1 30	8 20	2 49
20	Fri	6 4	6 12	7	0 4	SPRING COMMENCES.	♐	2 21	9 10	3 39
21	Sat	6 3	6 12	7	north		♐	3 10	9 54	4 29
Fourth Sunday.								Day's length 12 hours 11 minutes.		
22	D.	6 2	6 13	7	0 43		♑	3 54	10 38	5 13
23	Mon	6 0	6 14	7	1 7	♂ ♄ ☽. ♂ ☿ ☉ sup.	♑	4 38	11 20	5 57
24	Tue	5 59	6 15	6	1 30	Longfellow died '82.	♒	rises	morn	6 39
25	We	5 58	6 16	6	1 54		♒	6 0	0 0	7 20
26	Thu	5 57	6 17	6	2 18	Earthquake in Cal. 1872.	♓	6 41	0 41	8 00
27	Fri	5 55	6 18	5	2 41	♂ ♃ ☽ ♀ in ♉.	♓	7 20	1 22	8 41
28	Sat	5 53	6 18	5	3 4		♓	8 5	2 5	9 24
Fifth Sunday.								Day's length 12 hours 28 minutes.		
29	D.	5 51	6 19	5	3 28		♓	8 50	2 50	10 9
30	Mon	5 50	6 20	4	3 51		♓	9 38	3 39	19 58
31	Tue	5 48	6 21	4	4 14	☿ in ♌.	♈	10 30	4 31	11 50

WEATHER CONJECTURES—MARCH.—1, 2, 3, fair and mild; 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, fair and mild; 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, stormy; 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, rain; 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, cold rain if wind be W.; snow if E.

REV. JNO. T. KITCHEN.

REV. JNO. T. KITCHEN, the subject of this sketch, was born in Southampton county, Va., April 11, 1845. His parents, Rev. Etheldred and Nancy Kitchen, were strictly pious people, and reared their children—seven in number, of whom our brother was the youngest—under pure religious influences. Bro. Kitchen was converted at the tender age of thirteen, and united with the Christian Church at Union, Southampton county, with his parents. Soon after uniting with the church, he felt called to the work of the ministry, and began to exercise in public. He joined the biblical class of the Eastern Virginia Conference, and entered the Suffolk Collegiate Institute, where he received his training.

He was licensed to preach in 1873, and at the Conference in 1875 was ordained to the full work of the ministry by Revs. W. B. Wellons, J. T. Whitley and M. B. Barrett. His first charge was Liberty, Norfolk Co., and at the first revival meeting at this church, forty-seven souls were converted, and thirty-five united with the church.

October 24, 1878, he was married to Mrs. Sarah E. Murray, oldest daughter of Deacon I. W. Duck, at Mt. Carmel Church, Rev. M. B. Barrett officiating. He then located in Franklin, Va., and took the pastoral charge of Union, where he held his membership and remained seven years, and was abundantly blessed in his work. While in this charge he preached more funeral sermons and married more couples than any minister in that section. In 1882 he was called to the Virginia Valley Conference to labor within its bounds, which he did with much success for about three years, when he returned to his own Conference.

Since Bro. Kitchen entered the ministry he has served acceptably as pastor the following churches: Liberty, Union, Cypress Chapel, Johnson's Grove, Berea (Norfolk Co.), Court-house and Eure's. He is the author of two books—"Home of Our Childhood," a spicy little book, full of interest, and "Looking Heavenward," a book of sermons, that are rich in thought and above the average.

Bro. Kitchen is a man of fine physique, noble in appearance, and graceful in the pulpit; in fine health, robust, and weighs 225 pounds. He is a good preacher, his style being graceful, earnest, captivating; a true, faithful, sympathetic friend to all his brethren. M. B. BARRETT.

4th Month. ***APRIL, 1891.*** ***30 Days.***

Moon's Phases.

	D.	H.	M.			D.	H.	M.	
☾ Last Quarter,	2	1	22	a. m.	☽ First Quarter,	15	8	32	p.m.
● New Moon,	8	3	49	p. m.	○ Full Moon,	23	11	57	p.m.

Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Sun slow.	Sun's decline north.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS MATTER.	Moon's place.	Moon rises or sets.	Moon south.	Tides at Southport.
1	We	5 47	6 22	4	4 48		♑	rises.	morn	E. 40
2	Thu	5 46	6 23	3	5 1	☾ Richmond sur. '65.	♒	0 24	6 25	1 44
3	Fri	5 44	6 23	3	5 24		♓	1 25	7 25	2 44
4	Sat	5 42	6 24	3	5 47	Gen. Harrison d. '41.	♈	2 24	8 24	5 43

First Sunday. Day's length 12 hours 44 minutes.

5	***D.***	5 41	6 25	3	6 9	☿ in peri. ♂ ♀☽. ♂ ♄☽.	♈	3 21	9 21	4 40
6	Mon	5 39	6 26	2	6 32	Battle of Shiloh '62.	♈	4 15	10 15	5 34
7	Tue	5 38	6 27	2	6 55	Island No. 10 sur. '62.	♉	5 8	11 8	6 27
8	We	5 36	6 28	2	7 17	☽ 7th Crusade 747.	♉	sets E	eve.	7 20
9	Thu	5 35	6 29	1	7 39	R. E. Lee sur. '65.	♊	6 52	0 52	8 11
10	Fri	5 34	6 30	1	8 2	T, H. Benton d. 58.	♊	7 44	1 44	9 3
11	Sat	5 33	6 30	1	8 24	☌ ☍☽. ☌ ♅☽.	♋	8 37	2 38	9 57

Second Sunday. Day's length 13 hours 2 minutes.

12	***D.***	5 31	6 31	1	8 46		♋	9 32	3 32	10 51
13	Mon	5 30	6 32	0	9 8	Ral. sur. to Sherman '65.	♋	10 26	4 27	11 46
14	Tue	5 28	6 33	fast	9 29	☽	♌	11 22	5 22	morn
15	We	5 27	6 34		9 51	☿ gr. Hel. Lat. N.	♌	morn	6 14	0 41
16	Thu	5 25	6 34	1	10 12		♌	0 4	7 4	1 33
17	Fri	5 24	6 35	1	10 33		♌	1 4	7 51	2 23
18	Sat	5 23	6 36	1	10 54	Luther at Worms 1521.	♍	1 51	8 35	3 10

Third Sunday. Day's length 13 hours 17 minutes.

19	***D.***	5 22	6 37	1	11 15	☿ great. Elong. E.	♍	2 35	9 17	3 54
20	Mon	5 21	6 38	1	11 36		♍	3 17	9 58	4 36
21	Tue	5 20	6 39	1	11 56	Santa Anna cap. '36.	♎	3 58	10 39	5 17
22	We	5 18	6 40	2	12 16		♎	4 39	11 20	5 58
23	Thu	5 17	6 41	2	12 36	☽ ☌ ☊☽.	♎	5 20	morn	6 39
24	Fri	5 15	6 41	2	12 56		♏	rises	0 2	7 21
25	Sat	5 14	6 42	2	13 16		♏	7 35	0 47	8 6

Fourth Sunday. Day's length 13 hours 30 minutes.

26	***D.***	5 13	6 43	2	13 35	Conf. A. sur. Durham '65.	♐	8 27	1 35	8 54
27	Mon	5 12	6 43	3	13 54		♐	9 22	2 27	9 46
28	Tue	5 11	6 44	3	14 13	♂ ♂ ♅, Wolfe k. 1759.	♑	10 20	3 22	10 41
29	We	5 10	6 45	3	14 32	☿ sta.	♑	11 19	4 20	11 39
30	Thu	5 9	6 46	3	14 50	Washington inaug. 1789.	♒	morn	5 19	E. 38

WEATHER CONJECTURES—APRIL.—1, 2, changeable; 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, fair; 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, changeable; 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, fair, if wind N. W.; rainy if S. or S. W.; 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, fair.

OUR FOREIGN MISSION LEADERS.

REV. PETER THOMAS KLAPP.

REV. PETER THOMAS KLAPP, was born July 26th, 1848, the son of Ludwick and Sarah Klapp. He was converted in the sixteenth year of his age and joined the church at Apple's Chapel in Guilford county, N. C. He entered Graham High School in 1871, taking a four years' course. He was licensed at Providence Church (Graham) in January, 1873, and was ordained at Pope's Chapel in Franklin county, N. C., November 22d, 1875. His first pastoral charge was Shallow Well, Zion, Christian Chapel and Morrisville, with his home at Sanford, where he remained eight years. It was here that he married Miss Annie Bland, of Sanford, September 14th, 1876. To them have been born five children.

To Rev. P. T. Klapp belongs the proud distinction of being the father of the Foreign Mission work in the Christian Church. Soon after entering the ministry his sympathy was deeply moved for the heathen. In April, 1883, he preached a sermon at Moore Union Church in Moore county, on the condition of the Cannibals. The sermon touched very deeply the congregation, especially Bro. R. Womack, who was an illiterate, but a good man. After services he said to Bro. Klapp: "If your statement is true, I must help, I have but 35 cents—take it and use it to aid in sending the gospel to that benighted people." Rev. David F. Jones was Bro. Klapp's strongest helper. Only a few were advocates of the cause, while many were indifferent. The work grew and prospered, till now we have a flourishing mission in Japan, as may be seen by what appears elsewhere in this ANNUAL.

Bro. Klapp has been in the ministry now seventeen years. He has

5th Month. ***MAY, 1891.*** ***31 Days.***

Moon's Phases.

	D.	H.	M.		D.	H.	M.
Last Quarter,	8	43	a. m.	First Quarter,	15	1	56 p. m.
New Moon,	1	7	a. m.	Full Moon,	23	1	23 p. m.
				Last Quarter,	30	1	46 p. m.

Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Sun fast.	Sun's decline north.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS MATTER.	Moon's place.	Moon rises or sets.	Moon south.	Tides at Southport.
1	Fri	5 8	6 47	3	15 8	☾ ♀ in Aphelion.	♋	rises.	morn	1 32
2	Sat	5 7	6 48	3	15 26		♋	1 13	7 13	2 32
First Sunday.							Day's length 13 hours 23 minutes.			
3	D.	5 6	6 49	3	15 44		♌	2 6	8 6	3 25
4	Mon	5 4	6 49	3	16 2		♌	2 58	8 58	4 17
5	Tue	5 4	6 50	3	16 19	Bonaparte died 1821.	♌	3 48	9 48	5 7
6	We	5 3	6 51	4	16 36		♌	4 39	10 39	5 58
7	Thu	5 2	6 51	4	16 52		♌	5 30	11 30	6 49
8	Fri	5 1	6 52	4	17 9	Bat. McDowell '62.	♌	sets E	eve	7 41
9	Sat	5 0	6 53	4	17 25	☿ transit over sun's disk.	♍	7 17	1 17	8 36
Second Sunday.							Day's length 13 hours 56 minutes.			
10	D.	4 59	6 54	4	17 41	MEMORIAL DAY.	♍	8 13	2 13	9 32
11	Mon	4 58	6 54	4	17 56	Herschel died 1871.	♍	9 9	3 9	10 2e
12	Tue	4 57	6 55	5	18 11		♎	10 4	4 4	11 23
13	We	4 56	6 56	4	18 26	♄ sta.	♎	10 56	4 56	morn
14	Thu	4 55	6 57	4	18 41	Battle Resaca, Ga., '64.	♎	11 45	5 45	0 15
15	Fri	4 54	6 58	4	18 55		♎	rises	6 31	1 4
16	Sat	4 53	6 59	4	19 9	☉ ♂ ♄ ☽	♏	0 31	7 14	2 0
Third Sunday.							Day's length 14 hours 7 minutes.			
17	D.	4 53	7 0	4	19 23		♏	1 55	7 55	2 33
18	Mon	4 52	7 1	4	19 36	Matamoras taken '46.	♏	2 35	8 35	3 14
19	Tue	4 52	7 1	4	19 49	☿ in Aphelion.	♏	3 16	9 16	3 54
20	We	4 51	7 2	4	20 2	Mecklenburg Indep. 1775.	♏	3 58	9 58	4 35
21	Thu	4 50	7 3	4	20 14	Columbus died 1506.	♏	4 42	10 42	5 16
22	Fri	4 49	7 3	4	20 26	☿ sta.	♐	5 29	11 29	6 1
23	Sat	4 48	7 4	4	20 37	☽ ecl. invis. in N. C.	♐	6 16	morn	7 4
Fourth Sunday.							Day's length 14 hours 17 minutes.			
24	D.	4 48	7 5	3	20 49	Queen Victoria born 1819.	♑	7 15	0 20	7 39
25	Mon	4 48	7 5	3	20 59		♑	8 14	1 15	8 34
26	Tue	4 47	7 6	3	21 10		♑	9 13	2 14	9 33
27	We	4 47	7 7	3	21 20		♒	10 12	3 13	10 32
28	Thu	4 46	7 8	3	21 30		♒	11 9	4 12	11 31
29	Fri	4 46	7 9	3	21 39	☾ Paris burned '71.	♒	morn	5 9	E. 30
30	Sat	4 45	7 10	3	21 48	♂ ♄ ☽.	♓	0 3	6 3	1 22
Fifth Sunday.							Day's length 14 hours 26 minutes.			
31	D.	4 45	7 11	3	2 57		♓	0 54	6 54	2 13

WEATHER CONJECTURES—MAY.—1, fair; 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, changeable; 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, fair; 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, very rainy; 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, very rainy.

preached 1,826 times, has had 905 professions of faith under his preaching, with 705 accessions to the churches of his charge. He has baptized 528 persons. He is a godly man, a strong preacher, a good pastor and untiring worker and church-house builder. Long may he live to go forward in the grand work of the Christian Church.

REV. JOSIAH PRESCOTT WATSON.

REV. JOSIAH PRESCOTT WATSON, the son of Elijah and Eliza P. Watson, was born in Sullivan county, N. H.. June 29th, 1838. At an early age his parents moved to East Andover, N. H. He joined the Christian Church in January, 1855, and at once became an active church worker. He began preaching July 1st, 1855, when he was seventeen years old. In Jnne, 1856, he was ordained at East Wilmot, N. H. He taught school in the West some and has since served as pastor at Belvidere, Ill., at Marion, Ind., then he became Chaplain of the 12th Indiana Volunteers. At the close of the war he again became pastor and served in Marion, Ind., Belvidere, Ill., LeGrand, Iowa, and Blackburg Station, Ill. In 1870 he became pastor at Troy, Ohio. Here he remained until October, 1886, when he became pastor at Dayton and later editor of the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*.

A few years ago he became interested in the work of Home Missions and finally became the Secretary of the Mission Department of the American Christian Convention. He has accomplished a great work for the cause of Christ. About 1884-'85, he too, became interested in the work of Foreign Missions, and, joining Bro. Klapp, their combined efforts soon put Rev. D. F. Jones in Japan. This was the entering link which brought about the union of the church North and South.

6th Month. ***JUNE, 1891,*** ***30 Days.***

Moon's Phases,

	D.	H.	M.		D.	H.	M.
New Moon,	6	11	18 a. m.	Full Moon,	22	0	4 a.m.
First Quarter,	14	7	26 a. m.	Last Quarter,	28	6	8 p.m.

Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Sun fast.	Sun's decline north.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS MATTER.	Moon's place.	Moon rises or sets.	Moon south.	Tides at Southport.
1	Mon	4 44	7 11	2	22 5	□ ♄ ☉.	♋	rises	morn	3 1
2	Tue	4 44	7 11	2	22 13	Marietta taken '64.	♋	2 32	8 32	3 51
3	We	4 44	7 12	2	22 21		♌	3 21	9 21	4 40
4	Thu	4 43	7 12	2	22 28	♂ ☿ ☽.	♌	4 12	10 12	5 31
5	Fri	4 41	7 13	2	22 35	☿ great. Elong. W.	♍	5 5	11 5	6 24
6	Sat	4 41	7 13	2	22 01	☉ ecl. inv. in N. C.	♍	6 0	eve.	7 18

First Sunday. Day's length 14 hours 33 minutes.

7	***D.***	4 41	7 14	1	22 47	□ ♃ ☉.	♎	6 56	0 56	8 15
8	Mon	4 41	7 14	1	22 52	☿ great. Hel. Lat. S.	♏	7 52	1 52	9 11
9	Tue	4 41	7 15	1	22 58	Georgia chartered 1732.	♏	8 46	2 46	10 5
10	We	4 41	7 15	1	23 2	De Soto landed 1539.	♏	9 37	3 37	10 56
11	Thu	4 41	7 16	1	23 7	Salem witchcraft 1692.	♏	10 24	4 24	11 43
12	Fri	4 41	7 16	0	23 11		♐	11 8	5 8	morn
13	Sat	4 41	7 16	0	23 14	♂ ♄ ☽.	♐	11 50	5 50	0 27

Second Sunday. Day's length 14 hours 35 minutes.

14	***D.***	4 41	7 16	0	23 17	First per. by Nero, 64	♑	eve.	6 31	1 9
15	Mon	4 41	7 17	0	23 20	Pres. Polk died '49.	♑	1 11	7 11	1 50
16	Tue	4 41	7 18	slow	23 22	War declared 1812.	♒	1 52	7 52	2 30
17	We	4 41	7 18		23 24	♂ ♃ ☽.	♒	2 34	8 34	3 11
18	Thu	4 41	7 19	1	23 25	♂ ☿ ♆.	♓	3 20	9 20	3 53
19	Fri	4 42	7 19	1	23 26	Alabama sank 1864.	♈	4 10	10 10	4 39
20	Sat	4 43	7 19	1	23 27	Victoria crowned 1838.	♈	5 4	11 4	5 29

Third Sunday. Day's length 14 hours 36 minutes.

21	***D.***	4 43	7 19	2	23 27	SUMMER COMMENCES	♉	6 0	morn	6 23
22	Mon	4 43	7 19	2	23 27	Bat. Weldon R. '64.	♉	7 3	0 2	7 21
23	Tue	4 43	7 19	2	23 26	Battle Chickahominy '62.	♊	8 4	1 3	8 22
24	We	4 43	7 19	2	23 25		♊	9 3	2 4	9 23
25	Thu	4 43	7 19	2	23 24	Bat. Bannockburn 1314.	♋	9 59	3 3	10 22
26	Fri	4 44	7 20	3	23 22		♋	10 51	3 59	11 18
27	Sat	4 44	7 20	3	23 20		♋	11 41	4 51	E 10

Fourth Sunday. Day's length 14 hours 36 minutes.

28	***D.***	4 44	7 20	3	23 17	Vicksburg bomb. '62.	♌	morn	5 41	1 0
29	Mon	4 45	7 20	5	23 24	Henry Clay d. 1852.	♌	0 30	6 30	1 49
30	Tue	4 45	7 29	4	23 11		♌	1 18	7 18	2 47

WEATHER CONJECTURES—JUNE.—1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, very rainy; 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, frequent showers; 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, wind and rain; 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, fair; 29, 30, fair, if wind N. W.; rainy, if S. or S. W.

REV. DAVID F. JONES.

REV. DAVID F. JONES, now of Tokio, Japan, is a native of London. He came to America at the age of twenty, was educated at Graham (now Elon) College, and was sent as the first foreign missionary from the Christian Church in the United States and Canada to Japan. He sailed from New York, January, 1887. His labors have been greatly blessed—has organized three churches with a total membership of 128. Besides, he has established several preaching stations. There are several native preachers helping him, the pictures of two of whom will be found on page 21. Rev. H. J. Rhodes has also been sent with his family to labor on the same mission field. See page 19.

Bro. Jones has a faithful wife and two children, Grace and David F., Jr. Grace is about 6 or 7 years old and is now at school in England. She traveled all the way from Japan unattended by any special escort. She is a bright and sweet girl.

We here give the picture of Mrs. Amelia Jones, the honored wife of Rev. D. F. Jones, our missionary in Japan. She was Miss Amelia Parsons, the daughter of John and Ann Parsons, and was born in Bedminster, Somerset County, England.

MRS. JONES.

GRACE JONES.

7th Month. **JULY, 1891.** *31 Days.*

Moon's Phases.

	D. H. M.		D. H. M.
New Moon,	5 10 50 p. m.	Full Moon,	21 8 46 a. m.
First Quarter,	14 0 21 a. m.	Last Quarter,	27 11 24 p. m.

Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Sun slow.	Sun's decline north.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS MATTER.	Moon's place.	Moon rises or sets.	Moon south.	Tides at Southport.
1	We	4 45	7 20	4	23 7	Battle of Gettysburg '63.	♎	rises.	morn	3 27
2	Thu	4 46	7 20	4	23 2	☿ in Peri.	♏	2 58	8 58	4 17
3	Fri	4 47	7 20	4	22 58	♋ in Aphelion.	♏	3 50	9 51	5 10
4	Sat	4 47	7 20	4	22 53	AMERICAN INDEP. '76.	♏	4 45	10 46	6 5
First Sunday.										Day's length 14 hours 31 minutes.
5	D.	4 48	7 19	4	22 47	☿ sta. Monroe d. '31.	♐	5 40	11 41	7 0
6	Mon	4 48	7 19	5	22 41	Bat. of Carthage '61.	♐	sets E	eve.	7 55
7	Tue	4 49	7 19	5	22 35	☌ ☿ ☉ Superior.	♐	7 27	1 28	8 47
8	We	4 50	7 19	5	22 28	♃ sta.	♐	8 16	2 17	9 36
9	Thu	4 50	7 19	5	22 22	Braddock's defeat 1755.	♑	9 4	3 3	10 22
10	Fri	4 51	7 18	5	22 14	☌ ♄ ☽.	♑	9 47	3 46	11 05
11	Sat	4 52	7 18	5	22 6	☌ ☿ ☌.	♑	10 28	4 27	11 46
Second Sunday.										Day's length 14 hours 26 minutes.
12	D.	4 52	7 18	5	21 58	☿ great. Hel. Lat. N.	♒	11 8	5 7	morn
13	Mon	4 53	7 17	6	21 49		♒	11 49	5 47	0 26
14	Tue	4 53	7 17	6	21 40	Riots in New York '63	♒	morn	6 28	1 6
15	We	4 54	7 16	6	21 31		♓	1 58	7 11	1 47
16	Thu	4 55	7 16	6	21 21		♈	2 50	7 58	2 30
17	Fri	4 55	7 15	6	21 11		♈	3 47	8 50	3 17
18	Sat	4 56	7 15	6	21 1	Kirk in Yanceyville '70.	♈	4 46	9 46	4 9
Third Sunday.										Day's length 14 hours 7 minutes.
19	D.	4 57	7 14	6	20 50		♉	5 48	10 46	5 5
20	Mon	4 57	7 13	6	20 39	☌ □ ☌ ☉.	♉	6 47	11 48	6 5
21	Tue	4 58	7 13	6	20 27	Battle Bull Run '61.	♊	rises	morn	7 6
22	We	4 59	7 12	6	20 16	Atlantic Cable laid '65.	♊	7 48	0 49	8 8
23	Thu	5 0	7 12	6	20 3		♊	8 44	1 48	9 8
24	Fri	5 1	7 11	6	19 51	☌ ♃ ☽.	♋	9 35	2 44	10 3
25	Sat	5 2	7 11	6	19 38	Battle Lundy's Lane '14	♋	10 26	3 36	10 55
Fourth Sunday.										Day's length 14 hours 7 minutes.
26	D.	5 3	7 10	6	19 25	1st P. O. in Am. 1775	♌	11 15	4 26	11 45
27	Mon	5 3	7 9	6	19 11	Portugal a mon. 1139	♌	morn	5 15	E. 34
28	Tue	5 3	7 8	6	18 58	Reign of terror 1794.	♍	0 5	6 5	1 24
29	We	5 4	7 7	6	18 44	Poland dissolved 1794.	♍	0 55	6 55	2 14
30	Thu	5 5	7 6	6	18 29		♎	1 47	7 47	3 6
31	Fri	5 6	7 6	6	18 14		♎	2 40	8 41	4 0

WEATHER CONJECTURES—JULY.—1, 2, 3, 4, 5, fair, if wind N. W.; rainy, if S. or S. W.; 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, fair; 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, fair; 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, changeable; 28, 29, 30, 31, fair.

She was converted when sixteen years of age, and was at once instrumental in bringing several of her friends to Jesus. She soon after, and for several years, did public work with an evangelistic spirit, her last labor before leaving England being in southwestern England and Wales, where she visited many towns for public services, house-to-house visitations and cottage meetings. She was engaged in this general work among all denominations at the time of her marriage to Mr. Jones, and her immediate removal to America followed. Among her converts are men who, to-day, are preaching the Gospel of Jesus. She was married to Bro. Jones, April 17, 1882, and her life in the States was among our people in the South.

REV. HARRY J. RHODES.

REV. HARRY J. RHODES is a native of England. He came with his parents to America in 1854. He became a Christian at the age of 17. He was educated at Starkley College, and afterwards took a two years' course in the Theological Seminary at Stanfordville, N. Y. He served as pastor at West Shelby, N. Y., Danbury, Conn., and Manchester, N. H., from which place he was sent as the second foreign missionary from the Christian Church to Japan. He has an interesting family—a wife and children who join heartily in his labors. He is a good worker.

A SERMON BY A WOMAN.—"The best thing to give your enemy is forgiveness; to an opponent, tolerance; to a friend, your heart, to your child, a good example; to your father, deference; to your mother, conduct that will make her proud of you; to yourself, respect; to all men, charity."

8th Month. ***AUGUST, 1891.*** ***31 Days.***

Moon's Phases.

	D.	H.	M.		D.	H.	M.
New Moon,	4	0	4 p. m.	Full Moon,	19	4	20 p.m.
First Quarter,	12	4	4 p. m.	Last Quarter,	26	7	1 p.m.

Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun rises.		Sun sets.		Sun slow.	Sun's decline north.		ASPECTS OF PLANETS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS MATTER.	Moon's place.	Moon rises or sets.		Moon south.		Tides at Southport.	
1	Sat	5	6	7	5	6	17	59	South America disc. 1498.	♎	rises.		morn		4	54
First Sunday.									Day's length 13 hours 57 minutes.							
2	***D.***	5	7	7	4	6	17	44	Black Hawk war 1832.	♐	4	30	10	30	5	49
3	Mon	5	8	7	3	6	17	29	Columbus left Spain '92.	♐	5	21	11	22	6	41
4	Tue	5	9	7	2	6	17	13		♐	6	13	eve.		7	33
5	We	5	10	7	1	6	16	56		♐	sets	E	0	58	8	17
6	Thu	5	11	7	1	6	16	40	Cromwell died 1658.	♑	7	43	1	43	9	2
7	Fri	5	11	7	0	5	16	23	Hampton, Va., b. '61.	♑	8	25	2	24	9	43
8	Sat	5	12	6	58	5	16	6		♒	9	5	3	4	10	23
Second Sunday.									Day's length 13 hours 43 minutes.							
9	***D.***	5	13	6	56	5	15	49	Battle Cedar Run '62.	♒	9	45	3	44	11	3
10	Mon	5	13	6	55	5	15	32	Daguerre died '51.	♒	10	24	4	24	11	43
11	Tue	5	14	6	54	5	15	14		♓	11	6	5	6	morn	
12	We	5	15	6	53	5	14	56	George IV born 1762.	♓	11	50	5	50	0	25
13	Thu	5	16	6	52	5	14	38	Nat. Turner ins. '31.	♈	morn		6	38	1	9
14	Fri	5	17	6	51	4	14	19		♈	1	31	7	31	1	57
15	Sat	5	18	6	50	4	14	1	☿ in Aphe.	♉	2	28	8	28	2	50
Third Sunday.									Day's length 13 hours 30 minutes.							
16	***D.***	5	19	6	49	4	13	42	☿ great. Elong. E.	♉	3	28	9	29	3	47
17	Mon	5	19	6	48	4	13	23	Mt. Cenis Tunnel op. '71.	♊	4	31	10	30	4	48
18	Tue	5	20	6	46	4	13	3	Atlantic Hotel destr. '79.	♊	5	30	11	31	5	49
19	We	5	21	6	45	3	12	44	Cæsar d. 14.	♊	6	29	morn		6	50
20	Thu	5	21	6	44	3	12	24	☌ ♃ ☽.	♋	7	25	0	29	7	48
21	Fri	5	22	6	43	3	12	4	♀ in Peri.	♋	8	17	1	25	8	44
22	Sat	5	23	6	42	3	11	44	♂ ♀ ♂.	♌	9	8	2	17	9	36
Fourth Sunday.									Day's length 13 hours 16 minutes.							
23	***D.***	5	24	6	40	2	11	24	Battle Rappahannock '62.	♌	9	59	3	8	10	27
24	Mon	5	25	6	39	2	11	3	St. Bartholomew Massac.	♍	10	50	3	59	11	18
25	Tue	5	26	6	38	2	10	43	☌ great Hel. Lat. N.	♍	11	43	4	50	E.	9
26	We	5	27	6	36	2	10	22		♎	rises		5	43	1	2
27	Thu	5	27	6	35	1	10	1		♎	0	37	6	37	1	56
28	Fri	5	28	6	33	1	9	40	Battle Centreville 1862.	♎	1	30	7	31	2	50
29	Sat	5	28	6	32	1	9	18		♐	2	25	8	26	3	45
Fifth Sunday.									Day's length 13 hours 2 minutes.							
30	***D.***	5	29	6	31	0	8	57	2d battle Manassas '62.	♐	3	20	9	19	4	38
31	Mon	5	30	6	30	0	8	35	Charleston earthquake '86.	♐	4	10	10	9	5	28

WEATHER CONJECTURES—AUGUST.—1, 2, 3, 4, fair; 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, very rainy; 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, fair; 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, fair; 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, wind and rain.

YOSHITO TSUDA.

YOSHITO TSUDA was born June 22, 1850, in Kumomoto Higo, Japan. His parents died when he was an infant. He was first converted to the Roman Catholic faith. Not finding the peace of mind he became a Protestant, and in October, 1887, he joined the Christian Church under the labors of Rev. D. F. Jones. He married, November 11, 1885, Miss Takeko Yokoyama. He is in charge of the work at Ichinomaki, Rikizen. He is an earnest preacher and a zealous worker.

His wife was born July 14, 1864, at Wakayama, Japan. She became a Christian in 1878. She is educated and is a successful teacher. They are both devoted to the cause and are doing a fine work.

Bible Arithmetic.

There is such a thing as Bible arithmetic, and the rules need to be studied and the principles applied if we would have our lines fully rounded out. First we have

Addition.—"Add to your faith courage, and to courage knowledge, and to knowledge temperance, and to temperance patience, and to patience godliness, and to godliness brotherly kindness, and to brotherly kindness charity." II Peter i: 5–7. Next we have

Subtraction.—"Laying aside all malice and guile, hypocrisies and envies, and all evil speakings, desire the sincere milk of the Word, that ye may grow thereby." I Peter ii: 1, 2. Then comes

Multiplication.—"Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord." I Peter i: 2. "He that ministereth seed to the sower both minister bread for your food, and multiply your seed sown, and increase the fruits of your righteousness." II Cor. ix: 10. Next is

Division.—"Come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, and will be a Father unto you, and you shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty." II Cor. v: 17, 18. Finally, we have the

Rule of Three.—"And now abideth faith, hope, and love, these three, but the greatest of these is love." I Cor. xiii: 13.

THE BEST MONUMENT.—In a pretty church on Aneiteum is a tablet erected by grateful natives to their missionary, John Geddie. On this tablet is written, in their language, the following:

"When he landed
in 1848
there were no Christians here,
and when he left
in 1872
there were no heathen."

A more honorable epitaph was never written.

9th Month. ***SEPTEMBER, 1891.*** ***30 Days.***

Moon's Phases.

	D.	H.	M.		D.	H.	M.
New Moon,	5	3	8 a. m.	Full Moon,	17	11	56 p. m.
First Quarter,	11	5	59 a. m.	Last Quarter,	24	5	59 p. m.

Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Sun fast.	Sun's decline north.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS MATTER.	Moon's place.	Moon rises or sets.	Moon south.	Tides at Southport.
1	Tue	5 31	6 28		8 13	Battle Sedan 1870.		rises	10 56	6 15
2	We	5 32	6 27	fast	7 52	Battle Fairfax Church '62.		5 40	11 41	7 0
3	Thu	5 33	6 25	1	7 30	Cromwell d. 1658.		6 30	eve.	7 45
4	Fri	5 34	6 24	1	7 7	☌ ☿ ☽.		7 20	1 3	8 22
5	Sat	5 35	6 22	2	6 45	♂ ♃ ☉. Malta taken 1800		8 10	1 43	9 2

First Sunday. Day's length 12 hours 46 minutes.

6	***D.***	5 35	6 21	2	6 23			8 50	2 22	9 41
7	Mon	5 36	6 19	2	6 0	☌ ♁ ☽.		9 30	3 3	10 22
8	Tue	5 36	6 18	3	5 38	Destr. of Jerusalem 70.		10 10	3 46	11 5
9	We	5 37	6 16	3	5 15	Battle Eutaw 1781.		10 50	4 32	11 41
10	Thu	5 38	6 15	3	4 52	Battle Lake Erie 1813.		11 40	5 22	morn
11	Fri	5 39	6 14	4	4 30	♆ sta.		eve.	6 15	0 41
12	Sat	5 39	6 12	4	4 7	☌ ☿ ☉ Inferior.		1 12	7 13	1 34

Second Sunday. Day's length 12 hours 31 minutes.

13	***D.***	5 40	6 11	4	3 44	Battle Quebec 1759.		2 12	8 12	2 32
14	Mon	5 41	6 10	5	3 21	☌ ♀ ♄.		3 11	9 12	3 31
15	Tue	5 42	6 8	5	2 58			4 10	10 11	4 31
16	We	5 43	6 6	5	2 34			5 8	11 8	5 30
17	Thu	5 44	6 5	6	2 11	☌ ♃ ☽.		sets M	morn	6 27
18	Fri	5 44	6 4	6	1 48	☌ ♀ ☉ Superior.		6 2	0 2	7 21
19	Sat	5 45	6 2	6	1 25			6 56	0 55	8 14

Third Sunday. Day's length 12 hours 46 minutes.

20	***D.***	5 45	6 1	7	1 1	New York panic 1873.		7 47	1 47	9 6
21	Mon	5 46	6 0	7	0 38	☿ sta.		8 40	2 40	9 59
22	Tue	5 47	5 58	8	0 15	♄		9 35	3 34	10 53
23	We	5 48	5 56	8	south	☾ AUTUMN COMMENCES.		10 30	4 29	11 48
14	Thu	5 49	5 54	8	0 32			11 25	5 25	E 44
25	Fri	5 50	5 53	9	0 55			eve.	6 21	1 40
26	Sat	5 51	5 52	9	1 19	Philadelphia sur. 1777.		1 15	7 15	2 34

Fourth Sunday. Day's length 11 hours 59 minutes.

27	***D.***	5 51	5 50	9	1 42	First R. R. in Engl'd 1825		2 5	8 6	3 25
28	Mon	5 51	5 49	10	2 6	☿ in Peri.		2 55	8 54	4 13
29	Tue	5 52	5 47	10	2 29	♂ in Aph.		3 40	9 39	4 58
30	We	5 53	5 46	10	2 52	Bat. Peebles' Farm '64.		4 20	10 22	5 41

WEATHER CONJECTURES—SEPTEMBER.—1, 2, 3, wind and rain; 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, cold with frequent showers; 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, rain; 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, fair; 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, fair.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH,

HELD AT

Suffolk, Va., May 2, 3, 5 and 6, 1890.

The General Convention of the Christian Church met in quadrennial session with the church at Suffolk, Friday, May 2d, 1890, at 11 o'clock, A. M., and was called to order by the President.

Officers present: Rev. W. W. Staley, President; Rev. J. W. Wellons, Vice President; P. J. Kernodle, Secretary.

The roll of Conferences was called and certificates of election were handed in by the following delegates:

Georgia and Alabama Conference—MINISTER: J. D. Elder.
Deep River Conference—LAYMAN: Prof. E. L. Moffitt.
Eastern Virginia Conference—MINISTERS: W. W. Staley, R. A. Ricks, H. H. Butler, M. L. Hurley, J. P. Barrett, D. D.
LAYMEN: Hon. I. W. Duck, Hon. E. E. Holland, Maj. P. H. Lee.
North Carolina and Virginia Conference—MINISTERS: W. S. Long, D. D., J. W. Wellons, J. W. Hatch, W. G. Clements, W. T. Herndon, P. T. Klapp, J. D. Wicker, J. L. Foster.
LAYMEN: Jesse Winborne, Esq., Hon. W. N. Pritchard, E. T. Pierce, Esq.
Valley Virginia Conference—MINISTER: P. H. Fleming.

After the enrollment of delegates, religious services were held. Hymn, "Keep me near the Cross."

Prayer by Rev. J. W. Wellons.

On motion of Rev. P. T Klapp, Rev. W. W. Staley being the only nominee for President, was elected by acclamation.

Rev. J. P Barrett, D. D., was elected Vice-President, and Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Assistant Secretary.

No election was held for Secretary and Treasurer, as there was no vacancy.

The organization of the Convention being completed the President proceeded to deliver his address, which was listened to with marked attention.

Rev. G. A. Beebe was requested to report the proceedings for the Suffolk daily papers.

Rev. R. A. Ricks, on motion, was appointed to fill vacancy on Home Mission Committee.

Revs. W. T. Herndon, P. H. Fleming and M L. Hurley, on motion, were appointed to fill vacancies in Committee on Schools and Colleges.

10th Month. ***OCTOBER, 1891.*** ***31 Days.***

Moon's Phases.

	D.	H.	M.			D.	H.	M.	
New Moon,	2	7	50	p. m.	Full Moon,	17	8	37	a.m.
First Quarter,	10	5	49	p. m.	Last Quarter,	24	8	50	a.m.

Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Sun fast.	Sun's decline south.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS MATTER.	Moon's place.	Moon rises or sets.	Moon south.	Tides at Southport.
1	Thu	5 54	5 44	10	3 16			5 3	11 3	6 22
2	Fri	5 55	5 43	11	3 39	☍ ☿ ♄. ♂ ♀ ☽.		5 42	11 42	7 1
3	Sat	5 56	5 41	11	4 2			6 20	eve.	7 41
First Sunday.										Day's length 11 hours 43 minutes.
4	*D.*	5 57	5 40	11	4 26	Battle Corinth, Mo., '62.		7 2	1 2	8 21
5	Mon	5 58	5 9	12	4 49			7 45	1 45	9 4
6	Tue	5 59	5 38	12	5 12			8 30	2 29	9 48
7	We	6 59	5 36	12	5 35	Battle Saratoga 1777.		9 17	3 17	10 36
8	Thu	6 0	5 35	13	5 58	☿ gr. Hel. Lat. N.		10 10	4 9	11 28
9	Fri	6 1	5 34	13	6 21	Chicago fire 1871.		11 4	5 4	morn
10	Sat	6 2	5 32	13	6 43			rises.	6 1	0 23
Second Sunday.										Day's length 11 hours 27 minutes.
11	*D.*	6 3	5 30	13	7 6			0 58	6 59	1 20
12	Mon	6 4	5 29	14	7 29	♂ ♂ ♄. R. E. Lee d. '70r		1 56	7 56	2 18
13	Tue	6 5	5 28	14	7 51			2 52	8 52	3 15
14	We	6 6	5 27	14	8 14	Battle of Hastings 1066.		3 46	9 46	4 11
15	Thu	6 7	5 25	14	8 36	Bank of Paris 1857.		4 38	10 38	5 5
16	Fri	6 8	5 24	15	8 58	Nepol'n l. at Hel, 1815		5 31	11 31	5 57
17	Sat	6 9	5 23	15	9 20			6 25	morn	6 50
Third Sunday.										Day's length 11 hours 12 minutes.
18	*D.*	6 9	5 21	15	9 42	Palmerston died '65.		7 18	0 24	7 43
19	Mon	6 10	5 19	15	10 4	Cornwallis surrend'd 1781.		8 15	1 18	8 37
20	Tue	6 11	5 18	15	10 25			9 12	2 15	9 34
21	We	6 12	5 17	15	10 47			10 10	3 12	10 31
22	Thu	6 13	5 16	16	11 8	Hessians defeated 1777.		11 7	4 10	11 29
23	Fri	6 14	5 15	16	11 29	Earthq. in Hung. 1736		morn	5 7	E. 26
24	Sat	6 15	5 14	16	11 50			0 1	6 1	1 20
Fourth Sunday.										Day's length 10 hours 36 min.
25	*D.*	6 16	5 12	16	12 11	♂ ♁ ☉.		0 51	6 51	2 10
26	Mon	6 16	5 11	16	12 31	♂ ☿ ♁.		1 37	7 37	2 56
27	Tue	6 17	5 10	16	12 52	♂ ☿ ☉ Sup.		2 20	8 20	3 39
28	We	6 18	5 9	16	13 12			3 2	9 2	4 21
29	Thu	6 19	5 8	16	13 32	♂ ♂ ☽.		3 42	9 41	5 0
30	Fri	6 20	5 6	16	13 52	♄ disappear. of ring.		4 21	10 21	5 40
31	Sat	6 21	5 5	16	14 11	♂ ♁ ☽.		5 1	11 1	6 20

WEATHER CONJECTURES—OCTOBER.—1, 2, fair; 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, fair and frosty if wind N. or N. E.; rain or snow if S. or S. W.; 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, fair; 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, cold rain if wind W.; snow if E.; 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, cold rain if wind W.; snow, if E.

On motion, the Convention decided to meet at 10 o'clock A. M., adjourn at 1 P. M., meet again at 3 P. M., adjourn at 5 P. M. daily. Preaching at 8 P. M.

On motion of Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., Revs. M. B. Barrett, G. A. Beebe, D. A. Long, D. D., LL. D., and J. U. Newman, Ph. D., were invited to seats as deliberative members.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention met, President in the chair. Hymn, "Alas! and did my Savior bleed."

Prayer by Rev. M. B. Barrett.

Rev. L. H. Baldwin, of the Presbyterian Church, was, on motion, invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

The report of the Treasurer, A. Moring, Esq., was read.

On motion, a committee of three on Finance was appointed, namely: Brothers E. E. Holland, Jesse Winborne and Rev. J. D. Elder.

On motion of Rev. W. G. Clements, the Treasurer's report was referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion of Rev. P. H. Fleming, it was decided to go into committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of sending delegates to the American Christian Convention, which meets at Marion, Indiana, next October.

After the sitting of the committee of the whole, the Convention resumed business.

The committee of the whole, through its chairman, Rev. R. A. Ricks, reported progress.

Hon. E. E. Holland offered the following:

"I move (1) That we recommend all the Conferences composing this Convention to send delegates to the American Christian Convention; (2) That we request the President of this Convention to attend the American Christian Convention as a delegate."

Pending the discussion of the question, it was made a special order for to-morrow at 4:45 o'clock P. M.

On motion, the Convention adjourned.

Benediction by Rev. J. D. Wicker.

SECOND DAY—MAY 3D, 1890.

The Convention met, with the President in the chair. Religious services. Hymn, "Come we that love the Lord." Prayer by Rev. W. G. Clements.

The roll of members was called, and the minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Brother E. T. Pierce, delegate from the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, and Capt. P. H. Lee, delegate from the Eastern Virginia Conference, handed in certificates of election, and their names were enrolled.

On motion of Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., Rev. C. J. Jones, D. D., of Norfolk, and Rev. J. T. Kitchen, of Windsor, Va., were invited to seats as deliberative members.

On motion, Rev. John Lyon was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

11th Month. ***NOVEMBER, 1891.*** ***30 Days.***

Moon's Phases.

	D.	H.	M.			D.	H.	M.	
New Moon,	1	1	24	p. m.	Full Moon,	15	7	8	p. m.
First Quarter,	9	3	38	a. m.	Last Quarter,	23	3	18	a. m.

Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Sun fast.	Sun's decline south.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS MATTER.	Moon's place.	Moon rises or sets.	Moon south.	Tides at Southport.
First Sunday.										Day's length 10 hours 42 minutes.
1	D.	6 22	5 4	16	14 31			sets E	11 43	7 2
2	Mon	6 23	5 4	16	14 50	☌ ♀ ☽.		6 5	eve.	7 45
3	Tue	6 24	5 3	16	15 8	♃ sta.		7 15	1 15	8 34
4	We	6 25	5 2	16	15 27	Geo. Peabody d. '69.		8 6	2 6	9 25
5	Thu	6 26	5 1	16	15 45	Gen. Grant's 2d elec. '72.		9 0	3 0	10 19
6	Fri	6 27	5 0	16	16 3			9 56	3 56	11 15
7	Sat	6 28	4 59	16	16 21	♀ in ♍.		10 54	4 53	morn
Second Sunday.										Day's length 10 hours 29 min.
8	D.	6 29	4 58	16	16 39			11 49	5 49	0 12
9	Mon	6 30	4 56	16	16 56			morn	6 43	1 8
10	Tue	6 31	4 56	16	17 13	☌ ♃ ☾.		1 35	7 35	2 2
11	We	6 32	4 55	16	17 30	♀ in Aphelion.		2 26	8 26	2 54
12	Thu	6 33	4 55	16	17 46			3 17	9 17	3 45
13	Fri	6 34	4 54	16	18 2	Fall of Meteors 1833.		4 8	10 8	4 36
14	Sat	6 35	4 53	15	18 18	Battle of Arcola 1796.		5 1	11 1	5 27
Third Sunday.										Day's length 10 hours 17 minutes.
15	D.	6 36	4 53	15	18 33	☽ ecl visible.		5 56	11 56	6 20
16	Mon	6 37	4 52	15	18 48	☌ ♎ ☽.		6 53	morn	7 15
17	Tue	6 38	4 51	15	19 3	Suez Canal opened 1869.		7 53	0 53	8 12
18	We	6 39	4 51	14	19 17	Mt. Ætna eruption 1832.		8 53	1 53	9 12
19	Thu	6 40	4 50	14	19 32			9 49	2 52	10 11
20	Fri	6 41	4 50	14	19 45	Erup. Mt. Vesuvius 1857.		10 42	3 49	11 8
21	Sat	6 42	4 49	14	19 59	Berlin decree 1806.		11 31	4 42	E. 1
Fourth Sunday.										Day's length 10 hours 6 minutes.
22	D.	6 43	4 49	14	20 12	☾		rises.	5 31	0 50
23	Mon	6 44	4 49	13	20 24			0 17	6 17	1 36
24	Tue	6 45	4 48	13	20 36			0 59	6 59	2 18
25	We	6 46	4 47	13	20 48	Isaac Watts d. 1748.		1 39	7 39	2 58
26	Thu	6 47	4 47	12	21 0			2 18	8 18	3 37
27	Fri	6 48	4 46	12	21 11	☌ ☍ ☽		2 58	8 58	4 17
28	Sat	6 49	4 46	12	21 22	☌ ☉ ☽. Irving d. '59.		5 39	9 39	4 58
Fifth Sunday.										Day's length 9 hours 56 minutes.
29	D.	6 50	4 46	11	21 32	☍ ♎ ☉. Goldsmith b. 1728		4 23	10 23	5 42
30	Mon	6 51	4 46	11	21 42	☉ ecl. invisible in N. C.		5 9	11 9	6 28

WEATHER CONJECTURES—NOVEMBER.—1, snow, if wind E.; 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, rain and snow; 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, snow and stormy; 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, fair and frosty if wind N. or N. E.; rain or snow if S. or S. W.; 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, snow and stormy.

The report of the Board on Foreign Missions was read by the Chairman, Rev. P. T Klapp. After being discussed by Revs. D. A. Long, D. D., P. T. Klapp, W. S. Long, D. D , W. T Herndon, C. J. Jones, D. D., J. W. Wellons, W G. Clements, and others, it was, on motion, referred with instructions

On motion, adjourned till 3 o'clock, P. M. Hymn, "Oh, where are the reapers." Benediction by Rev. P. T. Klapp.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention met, with Vice-President J. P. Barrett, D D., in the chair.

On motion, the Convention proceeded to go into the selection of a place for the next session.

On motion, it was decided to leave the selection of a place in the hands of the Executive Committee, with instructions to choose a place in North Carolina.

The following resolution, introduced by Rev. P. H. Fleming, was unanimously adopted. Discussed by Rev. P H. Fleming, Prof. P. J. Kernodle, Rev. M. L. Hurley, Rev. John Lyon and others:

Resolved, That we recommend that the Conferences composing this Convention arrange to pay the traveling expenses of their delegates to and from the regular and called sessions of the Convention.

On motion, the following preamble and resolution, offered by Prof. E. L. Moffit, was adopted. Discussed by Prof. Moffit, Revs. D. A. Long, D. D., P. T. Klapp, and others:

Whereas, Experience has abundantly shown that a more expeditious transaction of business in our Conventions should be secured; therefore be it

Resolved, That all the *standing committees* of this Convention shall be required to have their reports made out and ready to submit at the opening of each session.

The Chairman of the Board of Foreign Missions re-submitted his report, which was adopted:

We, your Board on Foreign Missions, appointed by the last session of this Convention, May, 1886, beg leave to report that, while we have been engaged in this grand work but a very short time, we have reason to thank God for the marked success, both in raising means and executing the work in Japan. Your Board met November, 1886, and organized with the following officers: President, Rev. T. Klapp; Secretary, Rev. W. G. Clements; Corresponding Secretary, M. J. W. White; Treasurer, Rev. W. T. Herndon. During this meeting Rev. D. F. Jones, of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference, and his wife, came before us and were carefully examined as required by Article 7 in regulations adopted by the Convention of May, 1886, at Mt. Auburn, and were appointed as missionaries to Japan. Afterwards were endorsed by the Christians North, who aided in sending and supporting them. On the second Sunday of April the Chairman of your Board on that occasion referred to the sad condition of the heathen, who were without the religion of our Lord Jesus Christ, and at the close of that service, one Mr. Womack, who could neither write his name nor read it when written, but had to make his mark, came forward and said: "Thirty-five cents is all the money I have, and I want you to take it, and if our people will not use it, I want you to give it to some of God's people who will use it in carrying the Gospel to those people of whom you told us to day" Your humble servant received it and felt the force of the rebuke for our tardiness and neglect, and went to his home, determined, by the help of God, to agitate the question of Foreign Missions among our people, though he be ignored as "Cary" was. He opened up a verbal ahd written correspondence with three other brethren, in whom he found corresponding feelings, and by the time of the following session of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference, which met with the church at Poplar Branch, Moore County, N. C., we had raised $100.26 for a beginning in this grand and glorious work, and since that time our Heavenly Father has given us greater prosperity than we, as a people, have ever had for the same length of time, and now we are a happier and, of course, a better people, in consequence of accepting the full commission, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." Mark xvi: 15.

12th Month. ***DECEMBER, 1891.*** ***31 Days.***

Moon's Phases.

	D.	H.	M.		D.	H.	M.
New Moon,	1	6	37 a. m.	Full Moon,	15	7	44 a. m.
First Quarter,	8	0	5 p. m.	Last Quarter,	23	0	30 a. m.
				New Moon,	30	10	30 p. m.

Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Sun fast.	Sun's decline south.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS MATTER.	Moon's place.	Moon rises or sets.	Moon south.	Tides at Southport.
1	Tue	6 51	4 46	11	21 51	☍ ☐ ♃ ☉.	♑	rises.	eve.	7 18
2	We	6 52	4 46	10	22 0	♂ ☿ ♀ ☽.	♒	6 54	0 54	8 13
3	Thu	6 53	4 46	10	22 9	Battle Hohenlinden 1800.	♒	7 50	1 50	9 9
4	Fri	6 54	4 46	9	22 17	♂ ☿ ♀.	♓	8 48	2 48	10 7
5	Sat	6 55	4 46	9	22 25	VanBuren b. 1782.	♓	9 45	3 45	11 4
First Sunday.										Day's length 9 hours 50 minutes.
6	***D.***	6 56	4 46	9	22 32	♂ ☿ ♄ sagitarii.	♈	10 40	4 40	11 59
7	Mon	6 56	4 46	8	22 39	☍ ♂ ♃ ☽.	♈	11 32	5 32	morn
8	Tue	6 57	4 46	8	22 45		♈	eve.	6 22	0 51
9	We	6 58	4 46	7	22 51	Milton b. 1608.	♉	1 10	7 10	1 41
10	Thu	6 59	4 46	7	22 57		♉	1 59	7 59	2 29
11	Fri	7 0	4 46	6	23 2	♀ in Aphelion.	♊	2 49	8 49	3 18
12	Sat	7 1	4 47	6	23 7	Cromwell, Protector 1653.	♊	3 42	9 42	4 8
Second Sunday.										Day's length 9 hours 45 minutes.
13	***D.***	7 2	4 47	5	23 11	Drake sailed 1577.	♋	4 37	10 37	5 1
14	Mon	7 2	4 47	5	23 14	HALCYON DAYS BEGIN.	♋	5 36	11 36	5 56
15	Tue	7 3	4 47	4	23 18	☍ ♂ ♂ ♁.	♋	6 34	morn	6 55
16	We	7 4	4 48	4	23 20		♌	7 34	0 35	7 54
17	Thu	7 4	4 48	3	23 23	John G. Whittier b. 1807.	♌	8 30	1 34	8 53
18	Fri	7 5	4 49	3	23 25	H. Davy b. 1778.	♌	9 22	2 30	9 49
19	Sat	7 6	4 49	2	23 26	☿ sta. Rome burnt 69	♌	10 9	3 22	10 41
Third Sunday.										Day's length 9 hours 42 minutes.
20	***D.***	7 7	4 49	2	23 27	☿ in ♌.	♍	10 53	4 9	11 28
21	Mon	7 7	4 50	1	23 27	WINTER COMMENCES.	♍	11 35	4 53	E. 12
22	Tue	7 8	4 50	1	23 27	☍ ♂ ♄ ☽.	♍	morn	5 35	0 54
23	We	7 8	4 51	0	23 27		♎	0 14	6 14	1 33
24	Thu	7 9	4 51	slow	23 26	Wm. M. Thackeray d. '63.	♎	0 54	6 54	2 13
25	Fri	7 9	4 52		23 24	☿ in Peri. CHRISTMAS.	♏	1 34	7 34	2 53
26	Sat	7 9	4 53	1	23 22		♏	2 16	8 16	3 35
Fourth Sunday.										Day's length 9 hours 43 minutes.
27	***D.***	7 10	4 53	2	23 20		♐	3 1	9 1	4 20
28	Mon	7 10	4 54	2	23 17	☍ ♂ ☿ ☉ Inferior.	♐	3 50	9 50	5 9
29	Tue	7 10	4 54	3	23 14	Bat. Stone River '62.	♐	4 43	10 43	6 2
30	We	7 11	4 55	3	23 10	Bat. Savannah 1778.	♑	5 40	11 40	6 59
31	Thu	7 11	4 56	4	23 6	Bat. Murfreesboro '62.	♑	6 37	eve.	7 52

WEATHER CONJECTURES—DECEMBER.—1, snow and stormy; 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, stormy; 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, rain and snow; 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, stormy; 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, hoar frost unless the wind be S. or S. W.

Hitherto, before this move by us, we were known but a short distance from the spot where we stand this day. But we lift our hearts in gratitude to our common Father that we have spanned the mighty ocean, and to-day the Gospel is preached by the Christian Church in the sunrise land; hence we are beginning to take a stand with sister churches in evangelizing the world. Since the year 1883 the North Carolina and Virginia Conference has for said purpose raised $1,079.40, $1,002 40 of which has been expended in our foreign work in Japan, leaving in the hands of your Board $77, itemized as follows:

RECEIPTS.

1886. By total receipts from 1883 to 1886, from all sources inclusive	$452 40
" " " " 1886 to 1889, " " " "	627 00
Making a total of	$1,079 40

DISBURSEMENTS.

1887. Jan. 1. To cash, D. F. Jones	$452 40	
1888. " 31. " " " "	200 00	
1889. May 7. " " " "	150 00	
1890. Jan. 30. " " " "	200 00	
		$1,002 40
Balance in hand		$77 00

During the last year the East Virginia Conference raised $173.96 for said purpose, which has not come into the hands of your Board, but for some cause three of our Conferences did not comply with the requirement of the Convention held in May, 1886, but we are delighted to note that they will fall in line with us during this Conference year.

Furthermore, that God in His infinite goodness has given us two consecrated brethren and their godly wives, whom we have sent to Japan, viz., Revs. D. F. Jones and H. J. Rhodes and their wives. Brother Jones arrived in Japan April, 1887, and Brother Rhodes arrived there..... They have, in the Providence of God, organized three churches, with a membership of about 100, and they will soon, nothing preventing, organize another one.

From the present encouragement, may we not hope for and expect a nobler and grander success in the near future? Then we will take our harps down from the willows and lift up sweet strains of music in praise to our God, and we will be happy all the day long. Now in view of this work, let us realize one thing, that is, no money means no missions. Therefore, be it

Resolved, 1st, That we request the Conferences composing this Convention to urge their ministers to press the claims of Foreign Missions, and insist upon greater sacrifices in its behalf.

2d. That the Treasurer of each Conference pay over all money raised for said purpose into the hands of the Treasurer of the General Convention, South, subject to the order of the Board on Foreign Missions, and take his receipt as their voucher.

Respectfully submitted,

P. T. KLAPP,
W. G. CLEMENTS,
W. T. HERNDON,
M. J. W. WHITE.

We would recommend the following for adoption:

1. That this Convention appoint a board on Foreign Missions, whose duty it shall be to take full charge of this department of the Christian Church, and shall have power to consider the fields for foreign work, and make or endorse appointments of missionaries.
2. That the officers of this Board shall be a President, Corresponding Secretary and Financial Secretary.
3. That the officers of this Board shall be elected only once in four years.
4. This Board shall elect its own officers.
5. The Convention shall elect said Board, and if vacancies occur in said Board between the quadrennial sessions of this Convention, its Executive Committee shall supply the vacancies that may occur.
6. That this Board shall be composed of three elders and two laymen, and that three shall constitute a quorum for business.
7. Previous to appointments this Board shall carefully examine the candidates who desire to take work in foreign lands, as to their impressions concerning said; age, health, aptness to teach, etc.
8. That this body require each Conference belonging thereto, to appoint annually a Committee on Foreign Missions to recommend to their body suitable plans for raising funds for said purpose, and report the result annually to their Conferences.
9. That the Treasurer of each Conference pay over all money raised for said purpose into the hands of the Treasurer of the General Convention, South, subject to the order of the Board on Foreign Missions, and take his receipt as their voucher.

Respectfully,

P. T. KLAPP.

The question pending, which was made a special order for 4:45, was taken up. It was discussed by Rev. J. W. Wellons, Rev. D. A. Long, D. D., Prof. E. L. Moffit, Rev. J. L. Foster, Rev C. J. Jones, D. D., Rev. R A. Ricks, Rev. M. L Hurley, Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., Rev. W. T Herndon, Rev. W. W. Staley, Rev. P. H Fleming, Col. A. Savage, by request, and others

The motion was put to the house and carried.

Adjourned with benediction by Rev. J. D. Wicker.

THIRD DAY—MAY 5TH, 1890

The Convention met, President in the chair Religious services. Hymn, "The Lord's our Rock, in Him we hide."

Prayer by Rev. J. W. Hatch. Second hymn, "Wonderful words of life."

Proceedings of Friday's session were read, corrected and approved.

Brothers R. A Hyslop and J. F. West, delegates from the Eastern Virginia Conference, handed in certificates of election and their names were enrolled.

The Chairman of the Committee on Schools and Colleges submitted its reports.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES.

There is no matter of greater importance to the Christian parent than the proper education of his child. It is true that very many do not recognize this fact, and hence it becomes doubly important to all who do. The frequent question is, "Shall that education be secular or religious?" Shall the religious and the secular be so united that the secular shall work no evil to the child, while the religious shall permeate and sanctify the development of the intellect and all the requirements thereof? Those who advocate a purely secular education claim that the safety of society is in an intelligent citizenship, without the helps and inspirations which religion affords This is the bold assumption of to-day, enunciated from some pulpits, from many rostrums, and by many journals. Indeed the gauntlet is thrown down at the foot of the cross, and Christianity is challenged to prove itself a necessity in the development and control of the intellect for the welfare of the community.

The tendency of modern science is through secular education. It excludes a personal God; it deals in mechanical forces and material forms; it rests in secondary causes as adequate to produce all phenomena in the heavens above and in the earth beneath. This is to degrade the moral nature of man, and to leave the universe without a creator. In view of this the church should rise in all her strength, and, by munificent endowments of educational institutions, provide for the development of scientific thought by a leadership that shall conduct science to the altars of Christianity, to be baptized with the spirit of authority and power, and from beneficence on high. "All thy children shall be taught of the Lord, and great shall be the peace of thy children." Christianity alone is the hope of society and the salvation of the race; and as it is the mission of the church to establish everywhere in the world an empire of moral ideas, therefore, if that mission is to be accomplished, it can be done *only through men and women whose consciences have been enlightened, and which respond to all the influences of a divine Creator.*

Impressed with this conviction, and willing to perform the part of the work devolving upon us as a branch of Christ's church, this convention did, in its extraordinary session held in Graham, September 11th, 1888, determine to establish upon a permanent basis an institution of high grade for the purpose of promoting education, morality and religion A board of fifteen trustees was chosen, and all the requisite preliminary steps taken to put this purpose into execution.

Since that time the trustees have selected a site, secured an act of incorporation from the Legislature of North Carolina, and have erected a most substantial building of brick 129 x 59 feet, with an octagonal front 25 x 25 feet. The outside is of pressed brick and presents an imposing appearance. It stands in a beautiful grove of twenty-five acres, on the north side of the North Carolina Division of the Richmond & Danville Railroad, which, at this point, runs due east and west, 200 yards from the railroad track, and 300 yards from the depot.

On the first floor are thirteen recitation and lecture rooms; on the second floor a chapel 71 x 56 feet which can be made twenty-nine feet longer by means of folding doors when additional room is needed; a reading room, an office and five music rooms; on the third floor two society halls, library, museum and six dormitories; on the top of the tower is an observatory commanding an extensive view. The hall-ways are twelve feet wide, affording ample room to pass through the building The chapel is entered by two broad stairways, making it easy of access, and affording ample means of escape in case of danger. Every room has a fire-place and a separate flue for a stove, should it be at any time desirable to use stoves, except the chapel and the society halls, which are provided for stoves.

In the basement are two rooms for furnaces in case it should be hereafter determined to heat the building by hot air, or steam; and one room under the tower for flowers, evergreens, etc.

Some of the rooms are sixteen feet high, others fourteen feet; all well-lighted and ventilated. The windows are large and provided with weights so that they can be raised or lowered with ease. Transoms are over all inside doors. It is hoped that other advantages and conveniences may be added soon in the way of electric lights, etc., and thus make Elon College the joy and pride of our people, a great center of influence, a blessing to humanity, and a glory to God.

An itemized statement of all money paid towards this enterprise, name of persons who have paid it, etc, is in the hands of the general agent, together with all other matters pertaining to the building.

Cash donations			$4,558 81
" at location			1,538 00
" sale of lots			1,187 58
" brick papers			131 68
			$7,416 07
Cash borrowed of Moring		$100	
" " G. Kernoodle		325	
" " J. A. Dickey		50	
" " L M. Johnson		150	
" " J. W. Norfleet		400	
			1,025 00
			$8,441 07
Bonds due College	$1,223		
Subscription due College	3,506		
	$4,729		
Paid to contractors			$5,809 72
" others			2,631 35
Estimated cost of College			$16,000 00
Balance required to complete			8,583 94

We recommend—

1. That the Trustees be required to devise such means for raising money as may appear to them safest and best.

2. That the Trustees arrange to open the next session of the college in the new building.

We submit herewith the resignation of Rev. W. W. Staley, teacher of Theological Department.

There are other schools under the control of our people that deserve the support of the church. Among these may be mentioned the Suffolk Collegiate Institute, Shiloh Academy, and others.

W. S. LONG,
M. L. HURLEY,
J. P. BARRETT,
P. H. FLEMING,
W. T. HERNDON,

On motion of Rev. J. D. Wicker the report was taken up seriatim.

Discussed by Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., Rev. D. A. Long, D. D., LL.D., and Rev. M. L. Hurley.

On motion, the report was recommitted.

On motion, Rev. H. L. Derby, Rector in St. Paul's Episcopal Church, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

On motion of Rev. P. T. Klapp, the word "treasurer," of sections 2 and 11, and the whole of the 9th section was stricken from the rules adopted in 1886 for the government of the Board on Foreign Missions.

The Committee, through the Chairman, re-submitted its report. Discussed by Rev. D. A. Long, D. D., LL D., Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., and Rev. W. S. Long, D D.

Pending the discussion the Convention adjourned until 3 o'clock. Hymn 74. Benediction by Rev. R. A. Ricks

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention met, President in the chair.

On motion, Col. A. Savage and Rev. R. H. Holland were invited to seats as deliberative members.

The discussion of the question pending was resumed, and was further discussed by Rev. J. W. Wellons, Rev W. T. Herndon, Rev. W. W. Staley Col. A. Savage, Rev. J. D. Wicker, Rev. J. D. Elder, Rev. P. T. Klapp, Bro. E. E. Holland, Rev. John Lyon.

The Educational Report was adopted as a whole.

The Committee on Publication submitted its report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF EDUCATION.

We have not issued the new edition of the "Principles and Government," ordered at the extra session in 1888, but have deferred the work till we know what this session does on revision. As soon as this session expresses its mind fully on that subject, it is our purpose to prepare the book and have it published.

We desire to make favorable mention of a book recently issued by Rev. J. T. Kitchen, of Windsor, Va., the title of which is "Looking Heavenward." It is really a book of sermons, and will be pleasant and useful reading, to the young especially.

We recommend that, as Rev. W. W. Staley has been appointed by the Executive Board of the American Christian Convention a member of the Committee on Hymn Book, this Convention endorse the appointment and empower him to act for this Convention in this matter, with instructions to draw from our Hymn Book as one of the sources of compilation; also, to urge the publication of two editions, one with and one without music.

We recommend that this Convention re-endorse *The Christian Sun* in its present management, and that Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., be continued as editor. Its present financial condition, while not alarming, forces the editor to take charge of churches as pastor in order to escape embarrassment, and we urge this body, and through them the conferences which they represent, to endeavor to increase the circulation of the paper. The present number of subscribers is 900, and we desire the number to be increased 600. With 1,500 subscribers, the editor might devote his whole time to the paper, and thus increase its usefulness. We urge that this number be attempted before November 1st, 1890, and then we feel confident of perpetual benefits to our cause in all directions.

W. W. STALEY,
M. L. HURLEY,
R. A. RICKS,
P. J. KERNODLE.

On motion, the time of the Convention was prolonged one hour.

The report on Publication was discussed by Revs. R. A. Ricks, W. W. Staley, J. P. Barrett, H. H. Butler, W. T. Herndon, D. A. Long, D. D.

The report was adopted.

On motion, the Convention adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow morning. Benediction by Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D.

FOURTH DAY—MAY 6TH, 1890.

Convention met, President in the chair. Hymn 172, "All to Christ I owe."

Prayer by Rev. R. A. Ricks.

Roll was called, and minutes read and approved.

The Executive Committee submitted its report:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The matter of grievance referred to us by the Convention of 1886 was carefully considered by us on November 11th, 1886, and our report was published in the *Christian Sun*, according to instructions given us by the Convention. The matter embraced the report of the General Agent of the proposed college and the report of the committee on grievances. Your committee patiently examined all the evidence placed within their reach, and unanimously agreed that the General Agent was clear of the matters embraced in the complaint.

Your Committee ordered Minnie Mason to pay from Children's Fund to Southern Missionary Assembly the sum of $15.00, as a final discharge of all obligation to that society.

We had an *order book* made at a cost of $1.00, for the use of the Convention.

We allowed an account of $4.00 in favor of Rev. J. P. Barrett, for expenses attending the Committee on Schools and Colleges.

We ordered the publication in the ANNUAL of 1888 the proceedings of the extra session held in 1888, as the Convention had overlooked it, at a cost of $36.00.

W. W STALEY,
M. B. BARRETT,
P. J. KERNODLE.

Discussed by Rev. W. W. Staley. Adopted.

Brother E. E. Holland submitted the Report on Finance.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance would report that they have examined the report of the Treasurer of your Convention and find proper vouchers in hand for all money paid out by him with the exception of two items of thirty-five dollars each charged to D. M. Williams and J. F. Pleasants.

Your committee are reliably informed that the different amounts paid to H. W. Elder, W. C. Wicker, D. M. Williams and J. F. Pleasant were loaned to these young men, and that they have given their notes for same, and we think the report ought to show this fact.

Your committee notice that the Treasurer has deducted commissions from the amounts received and charged commissions on the amounts disbursed, the propriety of which your committee seriously doubt, and submit the same to this Convention for decision.

E. E. HOLLAND,
JESSE WINBORNE,
J. D. ELDER.

A. MORING, *Treasurer, in account with*

THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION,

			Cr.	Dr.
1886.				
April	28.	By balance		$347 15
"	29.	" cash by J. W. Holt		3 31
May	6.	" " " P. T. Klapp		7 34
"	17.	" " " J. W. Wellons		2 60
1887.				
Dec.	17.	" " " Raleigh Christian Church		67
"	18.	" " " Rev. M. L. Winston		38
1888.				
April	8.	" " " J. L. Foster		2 62
Nov.	14.	" " " S. B. Klapp		5 00
"	14.	" " " J. W. Hatch		5 58
1889.				
April	14.	" " " J. P. Barrett		237 43
				$612 08
1886.				
Jan.	30.	To cash paid J. P. Barrett	$ 5 50	
Sept.	30.	" " " " " "	20 00	
1887.				
Jan.	28.	" " " " " "	30 00	
Oct.	22.	" " " " " "	50 00	
Nov.	19.	" " " W. S. Long	20 10	
1889.				
Jan.	17.	" " " J. P. Barrett	30 00	
Oct.	4.	" " " " " "	5 00	
		" commissions	13 24	$173 84
		To balance due Convention		$438 24

April 30th, 1890.

The above balance is net amount due Convention free from any commission or other charges. Our bank allows no interest.

MINISTERIAL FUND.

			Cr.	Dr.
1887.				
Feb.	...	By cash from Minnie Mason		$ 70 00
"		" " " " "		138 75
Mar.	17.	" " " " "		50 34
1888.				
Oct.	17.	" " " " "		50 42
1889.				
		" " " " "		36 65
July	2.	" " " " "		26 10
1890.				
Jan.	2.	" " " " "		5 50
				$377 76
1886.				
Mar.	6.	To cash paid H. W. Elder	$20 00	
May	29.	" " " " " "	20 00	
1889.				
April	5.	" " " D. M. Williams	25 00	
"	5.	" " " J. F. Pleasant	25 00	
May	23.	" " " D. M. Williams	35 00	
"	23.	" " " W. C. Wicker	40 00	
"	23.	" " " J. F. Pleasant	35 00	
		" commissions	18 88	$218 88
		" balance due fund		$158 88

April 30th, 1890.

The commission charged above is for receipts and disbursements. No commission is chargeable against balance.

Discussed by E. E. Holland and Rev. R. A. Ricks.

On motion of Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., the Committee on Finance was discharged, and its report referred to the Executive Committee.

On motion of Rev. W. G. Clements, Rev. J. P. Barrett was requested to read suggested changes in Declaration of Principles and Form of Government.

On motion of Bro. J. F. West, the matter read by Rev. J. P. Barrett was referred to Committee on Revision.

On motion of Rev. W. S. Long, Rev. W. T. Herndon and Hon. I. W. Duck were appointed to suggest ten names from which the Board of Trustees of Elon College may elect five to fill vacancies.

On motion of Bro J. F West. it was ordered to pay the actual expenses of Rev. W. W. Staley in his attendance on the Committee of Hymn Books and the American Christian Convention at Marion, Ind.

Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., made a statement in an interesting speech, calling attention to our plans of work.

Committee to suggest names to fill vacancies of members whose term expires next March, reported the following:

E. A. Moffitt, J. M Smith, F. O. Moring, S. P. Read, W. N Pritchard, J. E. Ballentine, Rev. P. T. Klapp, Rev. W. G. Clements, Dr. G. W. Kernodle, Rev. W. T. Herndon.

Rev. P. H. Fleming offered the following:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are due and hereby tendered to the people of Suffolk for their hospitable entertainment, and to the various denominations for opening the doors of their churches for preaching by our ministers; and to Prof. P. J. Kernodle and Faculty for the musical entertainment given at the Suffolk Collegiate Institution.

On motion of J. D. Wicker, a vote of thanks was tendered the officers of the Convention, and the address by Rev. W. W. Staley was asked to be given for publication in the "Sun."

On motion of W. S. Long, the following was made a part of the report of the Publication Committee:

We desire also to recommend the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*, published at Dayton, Ohio, and the Sunday-school literature published by the same house; but

desire to enter our protest against certain editorial notes upon the part of the editor of the *Herald of Gospel Liberty* as sectional, partisan and lacking in the Spirit of Christ. If the Board of Trustees of the Christian Publishing Association will assure us that there shall not be a recurrence of such like objectionable matter we shall be most happy to give the *Herald of Gospel Liberty* our hearty endorsement.

Adjourned till 3 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention met. Singing, hymn 192. Prayer by Rev. J. D. Elder.

On motion of Rev. M. L. Hurley, the Chair of Theology established at its last session at Suffolk Collegiate Institute was transferred to Elon College.

The report of the Committee on Home Missions was read. Discussed by Rev. J. W. Wellons, M. L. Hurley, W. W. Staley (Vice-President in the chair), R. A. Ricks, Rev. W. S Long, D. D., J. P. Barrett, D. D., C. J. Jones, D D., Hon. I. W. Duck, Rev. W. T. Herndon.

The report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

As the Home Mission work within the bounds of the General Convention of the Christian Church is done principally through the Conferences composing the same, your committee would simply report that—

We heartily endorse the work of Rev. C. J. Jones, D. D., General Evangelist of the American Christian Convention, and of the Ceneral Convention of the Christian Church, South, in the organization of the work at Norfolk, Va., and earnestly recommend that he be continued in said office.

We recommend further, that the various Conferences be urged to put forward greater efforts in the direction of raising money for Home Mission purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. WELLONS,
R. A. RICKS,
W. G. CLEMENTS.
Committee.

On motion, Convention appointed Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., to write a history of the life of Rev. James O'Kelly.

On motion, the appointment of a suitable person to complete the history of the Christian Church for publication, was referred to the Executive Committee.

Convention adjourned with hymn 65, to meet at 8 o'clock.

NIGHT SESSION.

Convention met. Religious services. Hymn, 156. Prayer by Rev. W. T. Herndon.

The President announced the standing committees as follows:

COMMITTEES.

Schools and Colleges—W. S. Long, D. D., M. L. Hurley and E. L. Moffitt.
Publications—J. P. Barrett, D. D., R. A. Ricks and J. F. West.
Home Missions—J. W. Wellons, J. L. Foster and P. H. Fleming.
Foreign Missions—P. T. Klapp, J. D. Elder and W. G. Clements.
Executive Committee—W. W. Staley, P. J. Kernodle and E. E. Holland.

Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., was re-elected publishing agent for the next term.

On motion, it was ordered to publish the proceedings of the Convention in the ANNUAL at 50 cents per thousand "ems."

On motion of Rev. R. A. Ricks, it was requested that the pastors take up a collection for Convention Fund at least once a year.

The Committee on Revision submitted its report, which was dis-

cussed by Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., Rev. W. G. Clements, Rev. J. W. Wellons, and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REVISION.

The Committee on Revision report—

That the Committee on Publication be instructed to eliminate all grammatical errors in the Declaration of Principles before publication of the same, and to incorporate the changes adopted at the extraordinary session held in Graham in 1888.

We refer to you for consideration a paper prepared by Rev. J. P. Barrett, D.D., on the better organization of our work.

W. S. LONG,
J. P. BARRETT,
W. W. STALEY.

Rev. J. P. Barrett offered his paper on Better Organization. It was discussed by J. P. Barrett, D. D., C. J. Jones, D. D., M. L. Hurley, Rev. W. S. Long, J. D. Elder, J. D. Wicker, P. H. Fleming and R. A. Ricks.

On motion the paper was adopted as follows:

SECTION III.

BUSINESS OF CONFERENCE.

1. Conference shall meet once in each year for the transaction of such business as may advance the interest of the church and the cause of God.

2. Business shall be transacted in the order of time in which it may be brought forward; but reports of standing committees first, and then reports of special committees, shall have the precedence, except a matter that is made the special order of the day.

3. Conference shall appoint at the close of each annual session, through its President, subject to the approval of Conference, the following committees for the ensuing year's work:

On Education, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Church Extension, Religious Literature and Colportage.

Each committee shall report on its work at the regular annual meeting next succeeding its appointment.

The Conference, in its discretion, may appoint special committees on the Standing of the Ministry, on the Standing of the Churches, on Sunday-Schools, Temperance, and such other subjects as the body may deem necessary.

DUTIES OF COMMITTEES.

I. The Committee on Education shall be composed of Elders. To it shall be referred all questions pertaining to education, ministerial students, applications for admission to Conference, examination of candidates for licensure or ordination. No ministerial student shall be admitted to college as a beneficiary without the recommendation of this committee. To it shall be entrusted the work of raising all funds for educational purposes.

II. The Committee on Home Missions.—To it shall be referred all questions pertaining to missionary effort in the bounds of Conference. Its duties shall be—

1. To supervise carefully and economically the missionary operations within the Conference.

2. It shall collect all possible information touching the work in hand, unoccupied fields demanding attention, the success or failure of the efforts for the year then closing, together with the financial condition and the needs of the work for the incoming year, and submit the facts to Conference.

3. This committee shall have charge of the collection of whatever mission funds the Conference may order to be raised during their term of office.

III. The Committee on Foreign Missions shall have charge of the raising of funds for the foreign field. It shall gather all possible information touching the work abroad, and submit it to Conference.

IV. The Committee on Church Extension shall have charge of the collection of funds which shall be used strictly to assist in building houses of worship in destitute places.

V. The Committee on Religious Literature and Colportage shall have charge of all matters pertaining to the publication, sale and distribution of religious literature under the direction of the Christian Missionary Convention. (See Missionary Convention.)

I. All funds raised for ministerial education, foreign missions, church extension, publication and colportage, with half of the home mission funds—the other half being reserved for work within the bounds of the Conference—shall be sent to the Christian Missionary Convention to be used by that body, under the auspices of the Christian Church, for the extension of the Redeemer's kingdom in the world, wherever, in the judgment of that body, the best opportunity is

offered for the accomplishment of the desired end; *provided*, however, that this Conference shall be allowed a delegate in the said Convention for every twenty-five dollars thus contributed.

2. Conference should require every minister to make a full report in writing of his ministerial labors during the year, stating his success or failure in every matter claiming his attention; and if he neglect to make this report, he should be censured therefor.

3. An executive committee, of three or more Elders, should be appointed, whose duty it shall be to attend to any and all business which is necessary to be transacted between the annual sessions of Conference, *i. e.*, such as ought not to be deferred to the annual meeting, or such as cannot then be conveniently transacted.

4. All committees appointed by Conference are amenable to that body, and should report thereunto when required.

5. Conference ought to appoint fraternal messengers to attend the sessions of sister Conferences, to receive and offer such suggestions as may conduce to the peace and prosperity of the Redeemer's kingdom, and to keep up a free and social intercourse between the different parts of the church.

6. Suitable efforts should be made to establish primary and high schools in every Conference, and the standard of education among the ministry should be raised as high as possible.

7. Conference should provide for the support of aged and infirm ministers and their families, who have not sufficient means to keep them from want.

8. Every available means should be used to promote true religion and spiritual mindedness.

THE MISSIONARY CONVENTION.

1. The Missionary Convention shall be composed of delegates from Christian Conferences, churches, Sunday-schools, Missionary Societies, or individual members, within the Christian Church, on a basis of one delegate for every twenty-five dollars actually paid into the treasury of the Convention for the year preceding the annual session in which said delegates shall be enrolled, for the support of the church enterprises fostered by the Missionary Convention.

2. The Convent on shall meet annually, at such time and place as agreed to on adjournment.

3. The purpose of the Missionary Convention shall be to develop the strength and activity of the Conferences in the enterprises of the denomination, and to combine their means and energies for the spread of the gospel among men through the agencies of Education, Missions, Home and Foreign, Church Extension, Religious Literature and Colportage and Sunday-schools.

4. The Missionary Convention shall have a President, and from each Conference, represented in the Convention a Vice-President, a Secretary, Treasurer and an Auditing Committee of three, (one minister and two laymen). The duties of these officers shall be fully defined by the body itself.

5. At the close of each annual session, the President shall appoint, subject to the approval of the Missionary Convention, the following committees, which shall hold office for one year, or till their successors are appointed: On Education, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Church Extension, Religious Literature and Colportage and Sunday schools.

DUTIES OF COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Education shall have charge of whatever concerns our educational interests at large, such as the financial department of ministerial education, the building and endowment of colleges and theological seminaries.

The Home Mission Committee shall cultivate territory looking to the establishment of new Conferences, labor to build up weak Conferences, and have general supervision of mission work in the South. They shall furnish the Convention with all available information bearing upon the work, both as to success or failure during the past year, and as to the fields to be worked, and the necessary preparation to do it during the ensuing year.

The Foreign Mission Committee shall have charge of all missionary operations of the church South in foreign lands, doing all in their power to awaken interest in the salvation of the heathen, and to support our missionaries who preach to them.

The Committee on Church Extension. Applications for help in building houses of worship shall be made to this committee at least one month before the annual meeting of the Convention. The committee shall examine all applications for such help, carefully enquiring fully into the merits of each case, as to its character, and the wisdom of undertaking the work, submitting all the facts to the body.

The Committee on Religious Literature and Colportage shall have the supervision of our literature, and manage its publication, sale and distribution for the church at large. Whenever practicable the committee shall put one or more, according to the demands of the work, colporters into the field. They shall in such cases supply him, or them, with such literature as they may wish sold, and on such terms as they deem wise and for the good of the work. The colporters shall make weekly reports of the work done, and weekly returns of

money collected to the committee or to their authorized superintendent of colportage. He may, when so directed, assist the committee in collecting funds for the prosecution of colportage work. The profits of this department shall belong to the Missionary Convention, to be used in its judgment for the advancement of Christ's kingdom in the world.

The Committee on Sunday-schools shall have the supervision of Sunday-school work in the bounds of the Missionary Convention. They shall labor to provide for the maintenance of a Sunday-School Convention in each Conference, and the appointment and support of a Sunday-School Missionary in each Convention. They shall carefully guard the literature the Sunday-schools use, and as far as possible see that no damage comes to the church through this channel.

Funds accruing from profits on business managed under the auspices of the Missionary Convention shall be entitled to representation in that body in the regular ratio of one delegate for every twenty-five dollars actually paid in for the year. The committee in whose department the money is made shall make the appointments.

The Missionary Convention shall, under no circumstances, appropriate money to be used for any purpose other than that for which it was originally contributed.

The Missionary Convention shall be auxiliary to the General Convention, and its work shall be subject to the supervision of the Convention quadrennially.

THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Beginning at Capter IV and Section III the following changes were agreed to:

THE BUSINESS OF THE CONVENTION.

The Convention shall have jurisdiction in all questions pertaining to Doctrinal Standards, Church Laws, the establishment of new Conferences, Conference boundaries, appeals from churches or Conferences. It shall also review the work of the Missionary Convention once in four years, making such suggestions to that body relative to the needs of the denomination in its work of spreading the gospel as in its judgment it may consider needful.

COMMITTEES.

Committees of three each shall be appointed on Doctrinal Standards, Church Laws, Conference Relations, Appeals and the Supervision of Missionary Convention's work. Each committee shall work under the following regulations:

1. The Committee on Doctrinal Standards shall consider all questions pertaining to doctrinal and distinctive denominational teaching.
2. To the Committee on Church Law shall be referred all questions pertaining to church government.
3. To the Committee on Conference Relations shall be referred all questions concerning the establishment of new conferences, conference boundaries, conference changes, etc.
4. The Committee on Appeals shall have for consideration all appeals coming from any source whatsoever within the jurisdiction of the body.
5. The Committee on the Supervision of the Missionary Convention's Work shall be charged with the careful examination of the work of that body in all its departments once in four years, reporting the facts as they find them to the Convention, showing what has been accomplished in the preceding four years, and what the needs and possibilities of the work are at that time.
6. Each standing committee shall report to the Convention quadrennially at the regular session of that body which next succeeds the committee's appointment.
7. Special committees for special work may be appointed in the discretion of the Convention, but their work should be defined and the time for their reports should be stated when the appointment is made.
8. All difficulties arising in the local Conferences may be carried by appeal to the Convention, whose decision shall be final.
9. The Convention shall determine the boundaries of the local Conferences.
10. For the division of existing Conferences or the formation of new ones, application shall be made to the Convention; and when it shall appear that the good of the cause demands the division of an old Conference, owing to its great size or large extent of territory, a division may be ordered; or a new Conference may be formed when a number of ministers and churches, sufficient to give influence and perpetuity to the cause, are widely separated from any other Christian Conference.

On motion, adjourned to meet on Friday before the first Sunday in May, 1892. Hymn 74, "God be with you till we meet again." Prayer by Rev. J. W. Wellons.

W. W. STALEY, President.

P. J. KERNODLE, Secretary.
E. L. MOFFITT, Assistant Secretary.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Virginia Valley Christian Conference.

BETHLEHEM CHURCH, ROCKINGHAM COUNTY, VA.,
September 4th, 1890.

The Virginia Valley Christian Conference met here to-day in its twenty-first annual session, and was called to order by the Secretary, (the President of the last session, Elder P. H. Fleming, being absent).

Rev. W. W. Staley, President of the General Convention, was present, and conducted religious services.

The roll of ministers and churches was called, and the following churches responded through the following delegates:

Antioch—D. F. Linaweaver and C. H. Swank.
Bethlehem—J. D. Hilliard and J. J. Lincoln.
Linville—Col. E. Sipe and Levi S. Rhodes.
Plains—W. D. Mills and J. E. Galladay.

The Executive Committee placed in the hands of the Secretary a recommendation from the Southern Pennsylvania Christian Conference respecting the standing of Rev. D. A. Barney, he asking admittance into this body.

The letter was read, and on motion, Conference was resolved into a committee of the whole, and a motion to enroll Rev. D. A. Barney prevailed. The letter is as follows:

To the Christian Brotherhood, Wheresoever these Presents may Come, Greeting:

Our dearly beloved brother, Rev. D. A. Barney, having asked for his dismissal and commendation to the Virginia Valley Christian Conference, we, a committee of said Southern Pennsylvania Christian Conference, were appointed to draft said certificate of dismissal and commendation. Our brother brought to us a name untarnished, and it is with pleasure that we state he has maintained the same, and now he is leaving us to go among strangers, we wish to add our testimonial of appreciation of his Christian character and general worth.

Done by order of the Southern Pennsylvania Christian Conference, at Antioch, Fulton county, Pa., this August 17, 1890.

A. K. BOTTENFIELD,
D. M. RUSH,
JAMES R. LOGUE.

M. L. SIPES, *President.*
HARRISON P. WILLIAMS, *Secretary.*

The business of electing a presiding officer was taken up, and Rev. Bro. Barney was nominated and unanimously elected.

President in the chair.

A motion prevailed allowing the Secretary the privilege of selecting his assistant.

On motion, Rev. J. A, Scott, of the Deep River Christian Conference, who had labored in this Conference the past year, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

On motion of Bro. Sipe, Conference took a recess for dinner. Prayer by Bro. Scott.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference opened with singing and prayer led by Bro. Linaweaver.

The following schedule for meeting and adjournment was adopted: Meet at 9:30 A. M., and adjourn at 11:30 for preaching. Meet at 2 P. M., and adjourn at 4 P. M.

On motion, the pastor and delegates of Bethlehem Church were appointed a Committee on Religious Exercises.

The selection of a place to hold the next session of Conference was presented, and Linville was chosen.

There having been no one appointed at the last session of Conference to deliver an annual address, Rev. W. W. Staley, by request, will preach a sermon suitable to the occasion, after the close of the morning session on to-morrow.

On motion, Elder D. A. Barney was elected to deliver the annual address before this body at its next regular session, with Elder P. H. Fleming as alternate.

On motion, Conference went into the election of Fraternal Messengers to sister Conferences, as follows:

To the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference, Elders D. T. Deanes and P. H. Fleming.

To the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, Elder D. A. Barney and Bros. Sipe and Linaweaver.

Bro. Linaweaver was, on motion, authorized to solicit funds to defray the expenses of Fraternal Messengers to and from the Eastern Virginia Conference.

A motion to adjourn prevailed. Prayer led by Bro. E. Sipe.

SECOND DAY.

Conference was opened with reading a part of the 118th Psalm, and prayer by the President.

The roll was called, and the proceedings of yesterday read and approved.

On motion of Bro Sipe the following special committee to arrange a programme for the present session, was appointed by the Chair: J. D. Hilliard, C. H. Swank and W. D. Mills.

The committee retired from the house and hastily arranged the following Order of Business:

SECOND DAY.

1. Open under direction of President.
2. Roll-call. Reading and approving minutes. Enrolling new members.
3. Consideration of petitions.
4. Filling vacancies and appointing special committees.
5. Report of Executive Committee.
6. Report of Home Mission Committee.
7. Reports of special committees.
8. Report of Committee on Temperance.
9. Unfinished and new business.
10. Adjournment, with devotional exercises.

THIRD DAY.

1. Open as second day.
2. Roll-call. Reading and approving minutes. Enrolling new members.
3. Treasurer's report.
4. Report of Committee on Sabbath Schools.
5. Report of Committee on Education. Reading church reports.
6. Report of Committee on Religious Literature.
7. New business. Announcement of committees.
8. Adjournment, with devotional exercises.
9. Printing minutes. Order on Mission Society for Bro. Staley.

J. D. HILLIARD,
C. H. SWANK,
WM. D. MILLS.

Vacancies on committees were filled by the Chair as follows:

Home Missions—Levi S. Rhodes.
Education—J. E. Galladay.
Sunday-Schools—D. F. Linaweaver.

The Executive Committee's report was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your committee, during the Conference year, has done no official work except the following:

Upon the application of Elder P. H. Fleming, your delegate elect to the last session of the General Christian Convention, for aid in defraying expenses to be incurred in attending the same, $8 was appropriated by order upon your Conference treasurer; also, to more fully investigate the status of our right to the church property at Soliloquy, your committee deputized E. Sipe its special committee to go to Woodstock and do what he thought best concerning the matter, and appropriated $1.90, his traveling expenses, by order upon your treasurer; which further investigation resulted in dropping the matter without any further attempt to hold said house.

E. SIPE,
C. A. HENTON,
J. D. HILLIARD.

The President announced the hour for adjournment.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The President in the chair. Prayer by Rev. W. W. Staley.

The report on Home Missions was read, discussed by Bro. D. F. Linaweaver, Elder W. W. Staley, Bro. J. J. Lincoln and the President, and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

To the Virginia Valley Christian Conference:

We, your Committee on Home Missions, beg leave to report to you as follows: We found $23.30 in the Treasurer's hands at the close of last session. Bethlehem Church has raised the amount that she was assessed, namely, $15; Linville raised something over the amount that she was assessed, $7.50; Antioch Church has money in her Aid Society's treasury—how much, we cannot at present say—but the delegate, Bro. Linaweaver, will make a report and settlement in two weeks, if the Conference so desire.

There are a few places that this Committee think ought to be supplied with preaching, as we have members there that need looking after. The field is white, ripe, and all ready for the harvest. All the members that have been added by profession the past year have been brought in from the mission points. We consider the Home Mission work as the work of most vital importance before this Conference to-day, and upon our efforts in this direction depend the future increase of our Conference membership.

D. F. LINAWEAVER,
G. ROSENBERGER,
LEVI S. RHODES.

The Committee on Religious Exercises report Rev. D. A. Barney to preach to night, and Rev. W. W. Staley to morrow at 11:30 A. M.

The Report on Temperance being the next item of business, was called for, and, on motion, the committee was given until to-morrow morning to prepare a report.

Conference adjourned with prayer, led by Bro. E. Sipe.

THIRD DAY.

The President called the body to order and conducted religious exercises.

The roll was called and the proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

The first business was the reading of the Report on Temperance. The Secretary called Bro. J. J. Lincoln to his assistance, who read the report and moved its adoption. The Chairman and Bro. Sipe led in the discussion.

Pending its adoption, on motion of Bro. Lincoln, Rev. Mr. Fadely, of the United Brethren Church, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

The report was further discussed by Bro. C. H. Swank, the President and Rev. W. W. Staley, at the close of whose speech the President announced the hour for preaching and dinner. Benediction by Bro. J. A. Scott.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Opened by reading a lesson by the President. Prayer led by Rev. Bro. Fadely.

The report on Temperance was again taken up. The Secretary who was a member of the Committee on Temperance having refused to sign the report, moved an amendment, which was discussed by Bros. Sipe and Lincoln, Rev. W. W. Staley and the Secretary, and the amended report was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee submit the following for your serious and consistent consideration and adoption:

Since the agitation of the alcoholic beverage question from the pulpit of the nations, and especially from the Ameriacn pulpit, from the home and the moral and beneficent institutions and organizations of the country, it has resulted in producing the conviction and extorting the admission universally that the "liquor traffic" is a national blemish, a public nuisance, a sin and shame before God and man, incompatible with religion, honest government and true freedom, universal intelligence and moral principles by which all men ought to be governed, and must before they are of Christ's Kingdom. The questions arise, What have we to do with it? and why is it not suppressed by law? evidently our full part. Unless we come out as Christian men ought to do, practice what we preach, quit sustaining it by our votes, drinking habits, partisan trickery, and moral cowardice, we are sadly direlict in duty.

Our position is; that Bible temperance means total abstinence in the use of evil and dangerous things, and a free but discreet use of good and harmless things, and this we will do if we have been taught, that no Christian man can safely follow "expedience" rather than conscience, and his own personal desires what they may be, touching other questions in conflict with the work of suppressing the already condemed liquor traffic, nor will he do it if he be well established in the faith of warring against sin in high and low places. As to do otherwise interferes with the rights and best interests of our women, and children, whom we are morally bound to protect.

E. SIPE,
C. H. SWANK.

Next in order was the report on Sunday-schools, which was read, discussed by Bro. Linaweaver, Rev. W. W Staley, Bro. J. J. Lincoln, the President and Bro. J. A. Scott, and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

Your Committee on Sunday-schools would submit the following:

We believe the Sunday-school to be the nursery of the church, and one of the best means we have in the dissemination of gospel truth. In our denomination the work is aggressive. The International Sunday-school Lessons are used, and the latest and most improved methods of instructing the young are being introduced. The religious and moral training of the young is second to no other duty incumbent upon us; we therefore recommend—

1. That the pastors of the various churches be present and take part in the Sabbath-school as often as possible.
2. That a greater effort be made in securing the attendance of those in their section who do not attend.
3. That our schools use the quarterlies published by the Christian Publication House, Dayton, Ohio.
4. That mission schools be established in destitute localities.

D. F. LINAWEAVER,
JAMES D. HILLIARD,
J. J. LINCOLN.

The report on Education was read, and ably discussed by Rev. W. W. Staley and Bro. J. J. Lincoln, and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We, your Committee on Education, submit the following report:

The history of advanced civilization and enlightment is the history of greater demands and duties to all members of society. This is the day of improved education. We live in an extraordinary age; it has been marked by events which will leave a durable impression upon the pages of history by their own intrinsic importance. The demands of the present age for advanced improvement in education and refinement, in science and in literature, should sink deep into the mind and heart of the individual members of society, and be a strong incentive for us all to encourage and support all institutions of learning, especially those whose high duty it is to give instructions in Divine things and religious thought. That a lack of appreciation on the part of the church to support and provide for her educational necessities means inevitable and irretrievable loss to the cause of Christianity is a self-evident proposition. In theology a new era has commenced; from the days of Grotius almost to our own, a sluggish, indifference to critical learning fastened upon most of those who administered to high solemnities of religion. Here and there a noble spirit was seen, like Old Mortality, wiping away the ancient dust in his zeal for truth, undergoing almost a martyrdom. But the mass of professed theologians slumbered over the received text in easy security, or poured the distillation of our commentary into another, giving little improvement to the flavor and none to the substance. But the ministry has been aroused. What should we say of the ministers of religion who should choose not to study the scriptures in their original tongue, and content themselves for time and eternity to the dimness of translation which may reflect the litteral import but rarely can reflect, with unbroken force, the beautiful spirit of the text? Shall we whose vocation it is to allure to brighter worlds and lead the way be himself the blind, leader of the blind? Shall he follow the commentaries of fallible men instead of gathering the true sense from the gospels themselves? Shall he proclaim the doctrines of salvation who knows not and cares not whether he preaches an idle gloss or the genuine text of revelation? If a theologian may not pass his life in collecting the various reading he may and ought to aspire to that criticism which illustrates religion by all the resources of human learning; which studies manners and institutions of the age and country in which Christianity was first promulgated, which kindles an enthusiasm for its precepts by familiarity with the persuasive language of Him who poured out his blessing on the mount, and of Him at whose impressive appeal Felix trembled. Recognizing the great importance of Biblical training and theological training, and general education, we heartily endorse Elon College, as eminently worthy of our most earnest support and patronage. We hale with pleasure the opening of its doors in the New South, where the chidren ot our own denomination, of both sexes, may gather from the storehouse of knowledge truths which shall make them an honor to the genial clime in which they live. Brethren, send your sons and daughters to this grand institution. Help now the grandest institution of our church.

J. J. LINCOLN,
R. A. HENTON,

Church letters were read from all the churches. The report on Religious Literature was read, and adopted by unanimous vote.

Your Committee on Religious Literature beg leave to submit: The nineteenth century sees that the press is wielding a greater influence in the affairs of men than at any period in the history of the nations.

It is the mighty power that shapes the destiny of man. This is not only true in the political and social world, but also in disseminating truth and knowledge in the religious word. The *Christian Sun*, our church organ, measures fully up to the standard as a church paper, and deserves a place in every home in our church. It behooves every brother and sister to use his or her personal efforts in securing new subscribers to this paper We should give more attention as a church, in making contributions for the Jubilee Fund, and thereby assist in placing the paper in the homes of the afflicted and poor, who are not able to pay for it.

That we also urge our people to read our literature in book and pamphlet form, such as the "Life of Wellons," "Facing the Truth," "Five Cardinal Principles Defined," "History of Missions," ect. We commend also the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*, of Dayton, Ohio, as a religious paper worthy of the patronage of our people. Let us give more attention brethren to this mighty lever, that will lift the church to an exalted position.

Respectfully submitted.

J. J. LINCOLN,
R. A. HENTON,
D. F. LINEWEAVER.

The Treasurer's Report is as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

VIRGINIA VALLEY CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE, 1890.

Total amount received to date			$75 96
	CONTRA.		
1889-90.	Paid J. P. Barrett	$10 00	
1890.	Loaned by order of Executive Committee	40 00	
"	Paid P. H. Fleming	8 00	
"	" E. Sipe	1 90	
"	" Rev. Mr. Staley	15 00	
			$74 90
Balance in my hands in cash			$ 1 06
" in hand in a note held by me			40 00
Total balance on hand			41 06

HARVEY SIMMERS,
Treasurer.

On motion, Conference ordered the Treasurer to pay to Rev. J. P. Barrett, editor of the "Christian Sun," ten dollars for publishing the minutes of this session; the editor agreed to furnish this Conference with one hundred copies.

The Treasurer was authorized to pay Rev. W. W. Staley fifteen dollars, as a part of his traveling expenses; also to pay thirty-nine dollars to Rev. J. A. Scott, for services rendered as pastor of the churches, said amount not having been subscribed.

The President appointed the following standing and special committees:

Executive—C. A. Henton, J. D. Hilliard Levi S. Rhodes.
Home Missions—C. A. Swank, J. J. Lincoln, John E. Galladay.
Education—J. J. Lincoln, E. Sipe W. D. Mills.
Temperence—E. Sipe, D. F. Lineweaver, C. H. Swank.
Religious Literature—R. A. Henton, Peter Rosenberger, Harvey Simmers.
Sunday schools—B. Frank Zirkle, J. S. Kagey, Gideon Rosenberger.
Special Committee on Conference Rules and Order of Business—C. A. Henton, E. Sipe, J. J. Lincoln.

The President was also authorized to appoint a Foreign Mission Committee.

Foreign Missions—Mrs. Alice Lincoln, Ada Swank, Miss Fannie Simmers.

On motion, Elder D. A. Barney was superadded to the Executive Committee.

On motion, a vote of thanks was tendered the members and friends of Bethlehem Church for their unbounded hospitality to members and visitors during the present session.

The Committee on Religious Exercises report Rev. D. A. Barney to preach at this place to-night. Rev. W. W. Staley on to-morrow at 10:30 A. M., and Rev. D. A Barney to preach at Lacy Springs U. B. Church on to-morrow at the same hour.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

GEORGIA AND ALABAMA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE.

PLEASANT GROVE CHURCH, CHAMBERS COUNTY, ALA.,
October 2, 1890.

Opened by Rev. T. H. Elder, President of last session, with singing and prayer.

ENROLLMENT.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.—J. D. Elder, T. H. Elder, M. F. Lett, J. L. Neese, J. W. Elder, H. W. Elder and Jubilee Smith.

LICENTIATES.—G. D. Hunt and J. B. Orr.

DELEGATES.—*New Hope:* J. H. McCelvey, C. H. Stephenson, P. M. Osborn and J. W. Maringo. *Pleasant Grove:* A. R. Johnson, L. W. Wall, Frank Patterson and L. Mooney. *Rock Spring:* C. W. Owens and W. N. Clark. *New Harmony:* D. E. Knight and Sanders Martin. *Antioch:* J. H. Fincher and W. J. Payne. *Beulah:* E G. Mann, F. M. Wood and E. M. Gay. *Macedonia:* C. W. Swann and J. W. Elder.

A quorum being present the Conference proceeded to business.

Conference proceeded to the election of officers, which resulted as follows:

President—Rev. J. D. Elder.
Vice-President—Rev. J. L. Neese.
Secretary—Rev H. W. Elder.
Assistant Secretary—J. H. McCelvey.

Rev. M. E. Johnston, of the M. E. Church, was invited to a seat with us as a deliberative member, also Rev. M. L. Hurley, of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference. Both accepted, and Rev. M. L. Hurley responded with fraternal greetings.

Church reports were called for, and New Hope, Pleasant Grove, Rock Spring, Antioch, Beulah, New Harmony, Macedonia and Providence responded with letters, which were read and adopted.

Liberty, Union Grove, McGuire's Chapel and Mt. Zion were received as members of the Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference. They were represented by letter and delegates as follows:

Liberty—Jubilee Smith.
Union Grove—H. O. Wallace and Barto Hodnett.
McGuire's Chapel—P. F. Birchfield and H. W. Sternes.
Mt. Zion—S. N. Sledge and T. R. Staples.

The President appointed the several committees.

Moved and carried to adjourn until Friday morning, 9 o'clock.

SECOND DAY.

After singing and prayer Conference was opened for business.

Minutes read and approved.

Ministerial reports were called for, read and adopted.

Reports of the several committees were handed in, read, discussed and afterwards adopted

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We beg to submit the following report—

We have had but one case to come before us, and that was licensing Bro. J. B. Orr. He is a member of New Harmony Church and was recommended by his church for license. After examination, license was granted him.

J. D. ELDER, *Chairman.*

REPORT ON THE STANDING OF THE MINISTRY.

We, your Committee on the Standing of the Ministry, take pleasure in stating that we find all of our ministers in good standing, and living in peace and harmony, one with another. F. M. WOOD, *Chairman.*

REPORT ON THE STANDING OF THE CHURCHES.

We, your Committee, beg leave to report the following—

We find all the churches, so far as we can learn, in good spiritual standing.

J. L. NEESE, *Chairman.*

Adjourned for preaching by Rev. M. L. Hurley, at 10:45 A. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We your Committee on Religious Literature, take special pleasure in recommending to our people and the public generally, the *Christian Sun*, our church organ, published at Raleigh, N. C., by Rev. J. P. Barrett, and do urge upon our people an earnest support of the same. We also recommend that a public effort be made at this Conference to obtain as many subscribers as possible.

We also call attention to "Facing the Truth," a work calculated to do much good, published by the same author, also "Looking Heavenward," a book of sermons, published by Rev. J. T. Kitchens, Windsor, Va.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. ELDER, *Chairman.*

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

This report has been missplaced, therefore we can only give substance of the same. The assessments of the several churches were nearly all raised. The Conference was assessed $100, and $93 of this amount was raised. The assessment for 1891 of the committee was $125. New Hope $35, Antioch $10, Pleasant Grove $14, Bethel $3, Christiana $5, New Harmony $8, Providence $15, Beulah $15, Macedonia $3, Mount Zion $2, Union Grove $2, McGuires Chapel $2 and Liberty $2.

A committee of three was appointed to consult with each other in regard to sending Rev. J. D. Elder into the field as an itinerant. Committee, J. W. Elder, E. M. Gay, H. C. Wallace.

On motion, adjourned until 9 A. M Saturday.

THIRD DAY.

Saturday, 9 A. M., Conference opened. Singing and prayer. Minutes read and approved.

Resolved, That Rev. M. L. Hurley preach the annual sermon at 11 A. M.

REPORT ON MORAL REFORM.

We see a great need of a higher standard of morals throughout our church borders and country. Let all try to raise the standard of morals in our churches and families. We think it our duty as lovers of the church and as philanthropic brethren to pass not over this subject.

J. L. NEESE, *Chairman.*

Rev. H. W. Elder was elected Treasurer of this body.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We, your Committee on Education, beg leave to report the following:

We find that many of our people are taking a greater interest in the education of their children than formerly, but the cause is not worked up to a desired standard. Our people do not patronize our common schools as they should, and until we take some advanced steps in this line, we must suffer the curse of ignorance. Our young ministers should be better prepared for their field of labor. We heartily recommend our people to patronize "Elon College," in North Carolina.

We furthermore suggest and urge the idea of establishing a high school in the bounds of our Conference, to be taught by some of our young educators.

H. W. ELDER, *Chairman.*

REPORT ON EXAMINATION.

We, your your Committee on Examination, beg to submit the following:

After examining Bros. G. D. Hunt and C. W. Swann, by the requirements of the Christian Church, we find these brethren true, faithful workers, and well qualified for their work. We earnestly ask the brethren to inform themselves better in ancient and church history. We recommend Rev. G. D. Hunt for ordination, and Bro. C. W. Swann for license.

JUBILEE SMITH, *Chairman.*

Appointed on ordination, Revs. Jubilee Smith, M. L. Hurley and J. W. Elder.

Dismissed for the annual seemon, by Rev. M. L. Hurley.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference opened by singing.

Presbytery proceeded to ordain Bro. G. D. Hunt.

Minute money received as follows: New Hope $4.50, Rock Springs $0.95, New Harmony $4.40, Beulah $3.85, Macedonia $1 60, McGuire's Chapel $0.20, Mount Zion $1.80, Union Grove $0.80, Antioch $2.20, Conference $4.50, total $20.

Resolved, That we put Rev. J. D. Elder in the field as an itenerant. We give him the Home Mission fund in hand and allow him the privilege of taking one church. We request him to take up collections at the various points at which he may preach.

H. C. WALLACE,
E. M. GAY,
J. W. ELDER,
Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received for minutes		$ 20 00
" for Home Missions		93 00
		$113 00
Paid to Rev. J. P. Barrett for publishing minutes	$ 20 00	
" to Rev. J. D. Elder of the Home Mission fund	93 00	
		$113 00

REPORT ON SABBATH-SCHOOLS.

We, your Committee on Sabbath schools, beg leave to report, that we see this part of the church work most sadly neglected in this Conference. We recommend that the pastors of the several churches faithfully urge the establishment of Sunday-schools in every church of their charge, as we believe the moral training of our children a duty.

J. L. NEESE, *Chairman,*

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We, your Committee on Temperance, beg leave to report—

That the great evil of intemperance is beginning to disappear in many localities, and would recommend that the members of the Christian Church use all means in their power to put down all manner of drunkenness; as it has caused our churches more trouble than all other evils put together.

E. M. GAY, *Chairman.*

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Examination—J. D. Elder, Jubilee Smith, J. W. Elder and G. D. Hunt.
Education—C. M. Dollar, C. W. Swann and J. W. Manning.
Sabbath-Schools—H. C. Wallace, J. W. Elder and S. N. Sledge.
Religious Literature—J. D. Elder, G. D. Hunt and T. H. Elder.
Home Missions—Jas. H. McCelvey, H. W. Elder, Jubilee Smith, J. B. Orr and H. M. Abercrombie.

[We trust these Commiiteemen will get at their work, and have all ready to report next session.—H. W. ELDER.]

On motion, we, the body composing the Georgia and Alabama Conference, extend thanks to Pleasant Grove Church and community for their hospitality, extended during the sitting of this Conference.

On motion, the Conference adjourned to meet with the church at Union Grove, Wednesday night before the first Sunday in October, 1891.

J. D. ELDER, President.

H. W. ELDER, Secretary.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES AND PASTORS.	No. last report.	Received since.	Dismissed.	Withdrawn.	Died.	Expelled.	Whole number.	No in S. School.	Amount paid Pastor.	Other Purposes.	Totals.	Value of Church Property.
Red Hillee, Jubilee Smith	92	...	...	...	...	...	92	...	$.....	$.....	$.....	$1000 00
New Hope, J. D. Elder	255	22	10	...	...	24	243	75	75 00	90 00	165 00	2100 00
Liberty, Jubilee Smith	.....	12	...	...	...	...	12	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Antioch, C M. Dollar	52	25	4	...	...	4	69	...	.....	16 40	16 40	300 00
Macedonia, J. L. Neese	13	2	...	...	...	...	15	...	.....	5 00	5 00	.....
Beulah, T H. Elder	108	10	1	...	...	4	113	...	50 00	16 10	66 10	700 00
New Harmony, J. D Elder	33	35	...	...	1	3	64	...	50 00	11 05	61 05	100 00
Bethel, H. M. Abercrombie	13	...	...	...	...	...	13	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Christiana, G. M. Hurst	4	6	...	16	...	...	30	...	.....	.....	.....	250 00
Pleasant Grove, T. H. Elder	79	3	3	...	3	2	75	40	17 00	6 00	23 00	250 00
Rock Spring, J. D. Elder	52	15	3	...	...	4	60	...	35 00	15 00	50 00	400 00
Union Grove, H. W. Elder	.....	11	...	...	...	...	11	50	10 00	8 00	18 00	.....
McGuire's Chapel, G. D. Hunt	.....	14	...	...	...	...	14	...	.....	30	30	.....
Mt. Zion, W. R. Knight	.....	20	...	...	...	...	20	...	.....	3 00	3 00	.....

[NOTE—The statistical table is not full by any means, because some of the churches failed to send up their statistics. We trust that others who may look over our proceedings and works will not unduly condemn our imperfections. This session has been the most enthusiastic of all the past ones. Rev. M. L. Hurley was a mighty power among us; he won many honors to his name. Come over and help us!—H. W. ELDER, *Secretary.*]

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

SEVENTIETH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

PROVIDENCE, NORFOLK COUNTY, VA.,
October 28th, 1890.

The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference met here to-day in its seventieth annual session, and was called to order by the President of the last session, who also conducted religious services, assisted by Rev. S. S. Barrett.

Roll of ministers and churches was called, and the following were enrolled:

MINISTERS—*Elders:* J. P. Barrett, M. B. Barrett, M. L. Hurley, J. T. Kitchen, R. A. Ricks, H. H. Butler, M. W. Butler, J. W. Barrett, W. W. Staley and S. S. Barrett.

CHURCHES—*Antioch:* T. J. Clements and L. H. Whitley. *Barretts:* N. W. Branch. *Berea* (Norfolk): M. W. Hollowell and N. Only. *Berkley:* J. A. McCloud, Jr. and A. M. Eley. *Bethany:* T. J. Lawrence and C. C. Ellis. *Bethlehem:* J. W. Faulk. *Centerville:* J. A. Bishop. *Cypress Chapel:* Josiah Wilkins, W. T. Harrell and W. A. King. *Damascus:* J. R. Hinton and J. R. Corbitt. *Eures:* J. S. Felton. *Franklin:* I. W. Norfleet. *Hebron:* Eley Daughtery. *Holy Neck:* R. C. Norfleet, A. T. Holland and H. A. Rawles. *Isle of Wight C. H.:* L. P. Roberts. *Ivor:* G. W. Brittle. *Johnson's Grove:* J. W. Johnson. *Mt. Carmel:* I. W. Duck and J. E. T. Joyner. *New Lebanon:* O. M. Cockes. *Providence:* J. G. DeBaun and W. E. Hermance *Spring Hill:* R. T. West. *Suffolk:* J. T. Nurney. *Union* (Southampton): J. T. Scott. *Union* (Surry): C. W. Whitmore. *Waverly:* M. J. W. White. *Windsor:* M. L. Watkins.

Conference went into the election of President, and Rev. W. W. Staley was unanimously elected to that office. Bro. T. J. Lawrence was elected Assistant Secretary.

On motion, the Order of Business of last session was adopted for the use of the present session.

Rev. H. H. Butler here presented a petition from a church at Crittenden, Va., named Mt. Zion, organized under the Principles of the Christian Church, and asking to be rceived into this body.

On motion, the petition was unanimously granted, and Bro. Garry W. Haughwout was enrolled as its delegate.

Revs. D. A. Barney, of the Virginia Valley Conference, and C. J. Jones, Jr., of the Central Ohio Christian Conference, were invited to seats as deliberative members.

Reports were had from the following ministers: J. P. Barrett, J. W. Barrett, M. B. Barrett, M. W. Butler, W. W. Staley, M. L. Hurley, C. C. Peel, R. A. Ricks, H. H. Butler, J. T. Kitchen, N. G. Newman and S. S. Barrett.

After the reading of the letter of Rev. S. S. Barrett, a purse of $28.93 was made up for this aged brother.

T. W. Savage, delegate from Liberty Springs, arrived and was enrolled.

On motion, the reading of church reports was dispensed with, and the letters were referred to Bro. A. M. Eley, with instructions to collect funds and report finance to this body.

Bro M. L. Watkins was appointed to assist Bro Eley in this work.

Rev. C. J. Jones, D. D., was elected to deliver the annual address before the next session of this body, with Rev. J. T. Kitchen as alternate.

Reports of Fraternal Messenger called for, and the following responded: Rev. R. A. Ricks had attended the North Carolina and Virginia Conference Rev. J. P. Barrett had attended the Deep River Conference Rev. W. W. Staley reported as having attended the Virginia Valley Conference, though not as a Fraternal Messenger. Rev. M. L Hurley had attended the Georgia and Alabama Conference.

Fraternal Messengers were elected as follows:

To the North Carolina and Virginia Conference:—R. A. Ricks. *To the Deep River Conference:*—J. P. Barrett. *To the Virginia Valley Conference:*—H. H. Butlet. *To the Georgia and Alabama Conference:*—M. L. Hurley.

Conference decided to hold its next annual session with the church at Franklin, Va.

Pastor and delegates of this church were appointed a Committee on Religious Exercises.

Report of the Executive Committee was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Your Executive Committee beg leave to report—

That the only item of business transacted by your Committee during the past Conference year was to endorse the action of the Home Missions Committee in regard to the mission in the city of Norfolk, Va.

W. W. STALEY,
M. L. HURLEY,
H. H. BUTLER,
R. A. RICKS.

Bros. R. A. Ricks and M. L. Watkins were appointed to fill vacancies on the Committee on Temperence.

Bro. J. C. Haynes was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

Rev D. A. Barney was announced to preach to morrow at 12 M.

Rev. M. W. Butler was appointed to fill vacancy on Committee on Education.

The following schedule was adopted: Meet at 10 A. M., adjourn at 12 M., meet at 2 P. M and adjourn at will.

On motion, Conference adjourned to meet to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

SECOND DAY.

Conference met, and was called to order by the President.

Religious exercises by Rev. J. W. Barrett.

Minutes of yesterday's session read and approved.

The following delegates arrived and were enrolled: Bros A. Savage and T. R. Gaskins, from Berea (Nansemond), and R. L. Faison from Burton's Grove.

No other business being ready for consideration, on motion, Con-

ference here went into consideration of the union movement between the Northern and Southern branches of the church.

Rev. W. W. Staley, President of the General Convention and Chairman of the Board of Commissioners from the Southern Church, read the articles of Union that had been agreed upon by the joint Boards of Commission, and made some explanation of the same; after which, Conference, by a unanimous vote, endorsed the action of the joint Boards of Commission in this matter,

A resolution to limit the session of our Conference to three days was, on motion, laid on the table.

On motion, a committee of three, consisting of Bros. M. W. Butlet, R. T. West and H. H. Butler, was appointed to take into consideration the practicability of continuing the District Meetings

The report of the Committee on Temperence was discussed by Revs. J. T. Kitchen and H. H. Butler, and Bro. I. W. Duck; after which Conference adjourned for preaching and dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference resumed business.

Report of the Committee on Temperence again taken up, and after being discussed by Bros. I. W. Duck, W. E. Hermance and Rev. C. J Jones, D. D., it was adopted.

REPORT OF TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE.

Your Committee on Temperance make the following report:

Temperance reports have been called for and read so often in this Conference that the subject may have become tiresome to many. Resolutions have been voted upon repeatedly, and much good, no doubt, has been done by them, but we desire to urge this Conference to continue with persistent zeal and untiring efforts in this good work.

We urge the ministers of this Conference to give this subject more attention from their pulpits.

Intemperance stares its brazen face at their work all along the lines of Christian activity.

J. T. KITCHEN,
M. L. WATKINS,
R. A. RICKS,
R. A. HYSLOP.

On motion, Rev. Dr. Jones was requested to invite Mr. Francis Murphy, the noted temperence lecturer, now delivering a series of lectures in the city of Norfolk, to be present with us to-morrow at 2 P. M., and speak to us on the temperance question.

Revs. C. J. Jones, D. D., General Evangelist, and Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., of the North Carolina and Virginin Conference, being present, were invited to seats as deliberative members.

Treasurer's report was submitted, and referred to a Finance Committee commposed of Bros. E. E. Holland, I. W. Duck and I. W. Norfleet.

On motion, the Secretary was authorized to have a draft book and receipt book made, and to purchase needful stationery, and draw an order on the Treasurer for the amount of bill.

The Secretary was also authorized to draw a draft on the Treasurer of Conference in favor of the Treasurer of the General Convention for such an amount as may be necessary to pay for one thousand hymn books, under the direction of the President of Conference.

Bro. E. E. Holland, a committee of one to have the Conference Trustees recognized before some court, was granted further time.

Conference here took up the question of Annuals. Only a partial arrangement was made for these, and the matter was deferred until later on.

Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., was announced to preach to-morrow at 12 M.

Conference here adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

THIRD DAY.

Conference was called to order by the President.

Devotional exercises by Rev. M. L. Hurley.

Roll called, and minutes of yesterday's session read and approved.

Delegates P. H. Lee from Holy Neck, and J. Matthew Carr from Windsor, arrived and were enrolled; also Bros. E. E. Holland and P. J. Kernodle from Suffolk.

Rev. N. S. A. Heavener, of the M. E. Church, being present, was invited to a seat as an honorary member.

The committee to consider the practicability of continuing the District Meeting submitted the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DISTRICT MEETINGS.

Your Committee recommend—

That the churches comprising this Conference be divided as follows:

First District—Centreville, Waverly, Union (Surry), Spring Hill, New Lebanon, Burton's Grove, Barrett's and Ivor.

Second District—Bethany, Franklin, Union, Johnson's Grove, Mt. Carmel, Antioch, Windsor and Hebron.

Third District—Holy Neck, Liberty Springs, Cypress Chapel, Damascus, Eure's, Bethlehem and Suffolk.

Fourth District—Norfolk, Berea (Norfolk), Berea (Nansemond), Providence, Berkley, Oakland and Mt. Zion.

We would further recommend—

That the President appoint a Recording and Corresponding Secretary for these Districts, and that the District Meetings be conducted in these Districts as they were when District Meetings were first inaugurated.

M. W. BUTLER.

Report of the Committee on Religious Literature was submitted and discussed at length; and after some substantial help in the shape of a long list of subscribers had been given, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Your Committee on Religious Literature submit the following report:

This is one of the most important departments of church work, by a proper use of which incalculable good may be accomplished. We report with regret that there is not the interest in this work that our cause demands; and we earnestly urge a great awakening along this line.

1. We call the attention of Conference to the fact that the *Christian Sun*, the organ of the Church, South, is now in need of our most hearty support; and we request both ministers and delegates to pledge themselves to greater efforts in its behalf. And we recommend that an effort be made during the present session to increase its circulation.

2. We also recommend to our people that in connection with the *Sun*, they subscribe for and read the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*, the organ of the Church, North, and *Spirit and Life*, a monthly periodical, most ably edited and neatly published at Dayton, Ohio, by Christian brethren.

3. We also recommend the greater encouragement of other denominational literature in the shape of books, tracts, etc.

Respectfully submitted,

R. A. RICKS,
M. B. BARRETT,
M. W. BUTLER,
I. W. NORFLEET,
H. H. BUTLER.

On motion, the suggestion of Rev. W. S. Long, who had been appointed to preach at this hour, preaching was dispensed with, and the business of Conference was continued.

Collector of Conference funds handed in his report, which was referred to the Finance Committee.

The report of the Committee on Home Missions was submitted, taken up seriatim and discussed by several brethren. The first five items were adopted, and the sixth and last item was referred back to the committee, after which Conference adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOOM SESSION.

The President called the body to order.

The item in the report on Home Missions that had been referred back to the committee was re-submitted, and adopted; after which the report was adopted as a whole.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Home Missions would offer the following report:

The spirit and work of Missions is gradually increasing among the churches comprising this Conference. During the past year missionary societies have been organized in nearly all of our churches. The collections for mission purposes during the past year have exceeded those of any previous year. We urge that a more persistent effort be made during the coming Conference year to augment the mission fund. No work in which we are engaged is more important than the missionary work, and none is better calculated to advance the growth and strength of our denomination. Upon the success of this work depends to a very large extent the growth of our church, and hence the greater necessity for increased exertion and activity in this direction.

During the past Conference year your committee, acting in conjunction with the Executive Committee of this Conference, determined to establish a mission in Norfolk City, Va., and that it be placed in the pastoral charge of Rev. C. J. Jones, Sr. With the full consent and permission of this committee, Col. A. Savage purchased a house of worship on Charlotte St., in the city of Norfolk, for the use of this mission. The price paid for said property was $3,250.

Your committee would recommend—

1. That, having directed the purchase of this church for mission purposes in Norfolk, Va., and being encouraged at the result of the year's work, that this Conference purchase of Col. A. Savage the house of worship above mentioned at the price paid for same by him, and appropriate yearly out of the Home Missson Fund, as large an amount as possible towards the payment of the purchase price of the building.

2. That before any payment shall be made for this purpose, Col. A. Savage shall enter into an agreement with this committee to convey to this Conference or to the Trustees of the Norfolk Mission when appointed, said property aforesaid, as soon as the full purchase price, with interest thereon, has been paid—Col. A. Savage consenting thereto.

3. That this Conference appropriate the sum of $400 for the current expenses of the Norfolk Mission during the next Conference year.

4. That this Conference appropriate the sum of $400 towards the liquidation of the purchase price of the building used by the Norfolk Mission, and accrued interest thereon.

5. That this Conference appropriate the sum of $75 to the mission at Isle of Wight C. H.

The following assessments are offered for next year:

Antioch	$ 75	Ivor	$ 5
Barrett's	10	Johnson's Grove	10
Bethany	35	Liberty Spring	30
Bethlehem	40	Mt. Carmel	35
Berkley	20	Mt. Zion	15
Berea (Nansemond)	80	New Lebanon	10
Berea (Norfolk)	25	Oakland	25
Burton's Grove	10	Providence	25
Centreville	5	Spring Hill	40
Cypress Chapel	60	Suffolk	75
Damascus	35	Union (Southampton)	10
Eure's	10	Union (Surry)	10
Franklin	10	Waverly	15
Hebron	10	Windsor	25
Holy Neck	90		
Isle of Wight C. H	5	Total	$850

M. L. HURLEY,
R. A. RICKS,
M. W. BUTLER,
E. E. HOLLAND.

Committee on Finance reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We have examined the reports of Treasurer and Collector of Conference, together with vouchers, and find the same correct.

E. E. HOLLAND,
I. W. DUCK,
I. W. NORFLEET.

The hour having arrived that had been set apart to hear Mr. Francis Murphy on the subject of temperance, Conference here suspended business to hear that gentleman.

Conference resumed business.

Rev. M. L. Hurley was appointed as an agent to raise money among the churches to pay for the chapel now being used by the Norfolk Mission, and recommended in report on Home Missions.

The question of ANNUALS was again taken up, and the number subscribed for by the churches not being sufficient to secure the publication of the same, on motion, our Publishing Agent was instructed to publish nine hundred ANNUALS, and to present his bill for such of them as may not be paid for by the churches; and that the ANNUALS paid for by Conference be distributed where they are most needed.

Report on Education was submitted, and discussed by Rev. J. P. Barrett.

Pending the discussion of this report, Conference adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

FOURTH DAY.

Conference met, with the President in the chair.

Devotional exercises by Rev. J. T. Kitchen

Roll called, and minutes of yesterday's session read and approved

The report on Education was again taken up, and after being dsscussed by Revs. W. W. Staley, W. S. Long, D. D and C J. Jones, D. D., it was adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The education of the young dominates the whole future life. "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it." Prov., 22: 6. The highest Christian development can only be secured in the largest cultured life. The scholarly Saul, converted, becomes the champion of the Gospel among the Gentiles, and makes Agrippa say unto Paul: "Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian." Denominational training furnishes strength of head and heart to maintain and further church life. At the same time the sciences and arts may be co-helpers in the widest culture possible to man. The church has been the conservator of learning, and Christian nations have been the inventors and directors of all great improvements for the race. Earth and sea and air have yielded up their treasures under Christian investigation, and heaven answers the prayer of the heart as the Christian seeks to know his God. The evidences showing the value of education, and our needs as a church, are absolutely overwhelming, and force upon us the conviction that we must educate our young people, if we hope for a wealth of future success. We, therefore, recommend the following for your support:

1. That Elon College deserves and should receive our hearty co-operation and liberal aid. It involves the future of our cause beyond our present conception, and should be made the object of our daily prayers. It represents in the truest sense, our ideas and aims, and is the center from which shall issue potential streams of good to our church.

2 That the "Christian Correspondence College" meets a long felt need in our ministry, and deserves our hearty endorsement, and is an opportunity to any minister who finds himself in the work without the training of early years.

3. That the following sums be appropriated under the direction of the Chairman of the Educational Committee, to defray the expenses for the present scholastic year in Elon College:

W. J. Laine	$100 00
R. H. Peel	75 00
J. W. Rawles	40 00
C. C. Peel	100 00
N. G. Newman	100 00
Total	$415 00

That the said Chairman take bonds for these sums and all monies heretofore furnished, including notes given by N. G. Newman and C. C. Peel in 1886, and lost, as per plan agreed to at that time.

Joseph H. Jones is also at Elon College at his own expense and under our care.

L. L. Lassiter is now engaged in work and still looks forward to entering the ministry when prepared

We have entered upon the list of Biblical students the name of Jephtha W. Johnson, Jr., a member of Johnson's Grove.

The following assessments are offered for next year:

Antioch	$ 20	Johnson's Grove	$ 5
Barrett's	5	Liberty Spring	10
Bethany	10	Mt. Carmel	12
Bethlehem	12	Oakland	10
Berea (Nansemond)	20	Providence	12
Berea (Norfolk)	15	Spring Hill	10
Berkley	5	Suffolk	15
Centerville	5	Union	5
Cypress Chapel	20	Union (Surry)	5
Damascus	15	Waverly	5
Eure's	5	Windsor	6
Franklin	5	Burton's Grove	5
Hebron	5	Mt. Zion	5
Holy Neck	20		
Ivor	3	Total	$270

W. W. STALEY,
J. P. BARRETT,
J. T. KITCHEN,
M. B. BARRETT,
M. W. BUTLER.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was submitted, and discussed by Revs J. P. Barrett, D. D., D. A. Barney, W. S. Long, D. D., and W. W. Staley, and was, on motion, referred back to the committee for revisal.

Rev. Dr Jones here made some remarks in regard to the work of the Christian Church in general, and the work in Norfolk, in particular, and asked some advice relative to the prosecution of the work in Norfolk, whereupon the following resolution was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That the Executive Committee with the Committee on Home Missions be instructed to meet and confer with the Mission in Norfolk relative to the practicability of building a new Christian Church in that city at once.

M. W. BUTLER.

Report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was re-submitted and was adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The CHRISTIANS as a body of people began work late in the foreign field, and yet they have been abundantly rewarded already. Beginning work in the summer of 1887, under the zealous and faithful labors of Rev. D. F. Jones and his noble wife, they have organized three churches with a total membership of 128. They also have thirty-three preaching stations located and worked. The churches are Ichinosaki, Tokyo, Iskinomaki. Another church is about to be organized at Wakaya. They have several native preachers and four ministerial students. Rev. H. J. Rhodes and his devoted wife, our second missionaries, are fully in the work. One thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine sermons had been preached under our labors in Japan up to July 1st, 1890, by the missionaries and their native helpers.

Your committee congratulates the Conference upon the success, which, under the blessings of God, has been achieved, and we urge the church to look for yet greater things in our foreign work. For the coming year we recommend the raising of the following amounts:

Antioch	$12	Ivor	$ 4
Barrett's	5	Johnson's Grove	4
Berea (Nansemond)	12	Liberty Springs	5
Berea (Norfolk)	8	Mt. Carmel	8
Burton's Grove	5	New Lebanon	3
Berkley	5	Oakland	5
Bethany	8	Providence	8
Bethlehem	10	Spring Hill	8
Centerville	2	Suffolk	12
Cypress Chapel	10	Union (Southampton)	4
Damascus	6	Union (Surry)	4
Eure's	4	Waverly	4
Franklin	5	Windsor	5
Hebron	4	Mt Zion	5
Holy Neck	15		

J. PRESSLY BARRETT,
JAY W. BARRETT,
H. H. BUTLER,

On motion, it was decided to proceed with business until the work of Conference is completed.

Rev. C. J. Jones, Jr., of the Central Ohio Conference, was, on motion, unanimously received as a member of this Conference.

Report on Sunday-schools was submitted, and was adopted without discussion.

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

Your Committee on Sunday-schools beg leave to make the following report: We recognize the Sunday school as one of the most important factors in the success and progress of every church, and as such we believe the Sunday-school to be an accurate index to the standing of a church, as to the work it is doing for the Master. It may always be observed that where you find a well managed, interesting, live Sunday school you will find the church, with which it is connected, in a thrifty, growing condition; and the reverse of this proposition is equally true.

We would therefore urge upon every church in the Conference the *importance* of the Sunday-school work.

In pursuance of the above we earnestly recommend that special attention to this department of church work be given by every member; that great care be taken in the selection of officers and teachers, and that a liberal contribution of money be made to the school by its members, to enable it at all times, to be well supplied with the best literature, and well equipped with charts, blackboards, etc., to fecilitate good work.

Respectfully submitted,

F. L. PORTLOCK,
J. C. HAYNES,
I. W. DUCK.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due and are hereby tendered to the pastor and members of this church for their kind entertainment during the present session of our Conference.

M. W. BUTLER.

The President announced the following standing committees:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Education—J. P. Barrett, D. D., M. W. Butler, M. B. Barrett.
Home Missions—M. L. Hurley, E. E. Holland, T. R. Gaskins.
Foreign Missions—M. L. Hurley, H. H. Butler, W. A. King.
Temperance—J. T. Kitchen, R. T. West, R. A. Hyslop.
Religious Literature—R. A. Ricks, M. W. Butler, M. L. Watkins.
Sabbath-schools—J. W Barrett, P. J. Kernodle, A. M. Eley.
Executive—H. H. Butler, J. P. Barrett, R. A. Ricks.

On motion, the President was added to the Executive and Educational Committees as chairman of each.

The following resolution was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That an appropriation of $60 be paid out of the Superannuated fund to Rev. S. S. Barrett, to be paid quarterly in advance.

A. SAVAGE.

On motion, the first District Meeting of the new Conference year was appointed to meet with the church at Union (Surry), on the fifth Saturday and Sunday in November.

Rev. Dr. W. S. Long was announced to preach this P. M. at 2 o'clock.

Rev. J. P. Barrett was appointed Recording and Corresponding Secretary of the District Meeting.

Minutes of to-day's session were read and approved.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Amounts collected during the present session of Conference—

For Home Mission Fund	$ 631 62
For Foreign Mission Fund	113 23
For Educational Fund	189 37
For Superannuated Fund	32 29
For Conference Publication Fund	25 28
For Convention Fund	20 03
	$1,011 82

A. M. ELEY, *Collector.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

WILLIAM H. JONES, JR., *Treasurer, in account with Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.*

HOME MISSION FUND.

1889.			Cr.	Dr.
Mar.	12.	To amount from A Savage, Treasurer		$585 89
Mar.	12.	To interest to March 1st, 1890		14 97
Mar.	19.	By cash paid Rev. G. A. Beebe, 1st quarter, Berkley	$ 62 50	
Dec.	19.	" " Rev. J. T. Kitchen, 1st quarter, I. of W.	18 75	
1890.				
Jan.	31.	By cash paid Rev. G. A. Beebe, 2d quarter, Berkley	62 50	
Mar.	25.	" " Rev. J. T. Kitchen, 2d quarter I. of W.	18 75	
May	3.	" " Rev. J. T. Kitchen, 3d quarter I. of W.	18 75	
May	7.	" " Rev. G. A. Beebe, 3d quarter, Berkley	62 50	
Aug.	14.	" " Rev. G. A. Beebe, 4th quarter, Berkley	62 50	
Sept.	6.	" " Rev. J. T. Kitchen, 4th quarter, I. of W.	18 75	
		By balance	275 86	
			$600 86	$600 86

CONVENTION FUND

1889.				
Mar.	12.	To amount from A. Savage, former Treasurer		$226 70
Mar.	12.	To interest to March 1st, 1890		8 54
Mar.	12.	By balance	$235 24	
			$235 24	$235 24

FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

1889.				
Mar.	12.	To amount from A. Savage, former Treasurer		$173 96
Mar.	12.	To interest to March 1st, 1890		5 76
		By balance	$179 72	
			$179 72	$179 72

SUPERANNUATED FUND.

1889.				
Mar.	12.	To amount from A. Savage, former Treasurer		$118 91
Mar.	12.	To interest to March 1st, 1890		3 00
Mar.	26.	By cash paid Rev. S. S. Barrett	$ 15 00	
1890.				
Feb.	7.	By cash paid Rev. S. S. Barrett	10 00	
May	10.	" " " " "	12 50	
Aug.	14.	" " " " "	12 50	
		By balance	71 91	
			$121 91	$121 91

1889.		CONFERENCE AND PUBLICATION FUND.		
Mar.	12.	To amount from A. Savage, former Treasurer		$ 99 61
Mar.	12.	To interest to March 1st, 1890		2 48
Dec.	9.	By cash paid Rev. J. P. Barrett	$ 17 25	
1890.				
Jan.	3.	By cash paid Rev. J. P. Barrett	25 00	
		By balance	59 84	
			$102 09	$102 09
1889.		EDUCATIONAL FUND.		
Mar.	12.	To amount from A. Savage, former Treasurer		$440 99
Mar.	12.	To interest to March 1st, 1890		16 08
1890.				
Mar.	15.	By cash paid P. J. Kernodle, account W. J. Lane	$ 25 00	
July	3.	" " " " " " "	50 00	
		By balance	382 07	
			$457 07	$457 07
1889.		THEOLOGICAL FUND.		
Mar.	12.	To amount from A. Savage, former Treasurer		$115 23
Mar.	12.	To interest to March 1st, 1890		4 40
		By balance	$119 63	
			$119 63	$119 63

Conference here adjourned with benediction by Rev. Dr. Jones, to meet with the church at Franklin, Va., on Tuesday before the first Sunday in November, 1891, at 11 A. M.

W. W. STALEY, President.

R. A. RICKS, Secretary,

T. J. LAWRENCE, Assistant Secretary.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Pastors.	Secretaries and Their Post Offices.	No. Reported last Session.	Rec'd Since.	Dismissed.	Withdrawn.	Died.	Expelled	Present Membership.	Connected with S. S.	Amount paid Pastor.	Establishing Schools.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Superannuated Fund.	Con. and Pub. Fund.	Convention Fund.	For other Purposes.	Total Amount.	Value of Church Property.
Antioch	J. P. Barrett	T. J. Clements, Windsor, Va	288	53	7	...	1	5	328	115	$300 00	$.....	$40 00	$10 00	$20 00	$4 50	$2 00	$1 93	$.....	$ 378 43	$2,000 00
Barrett's	M. B. Barrett	J. D. Pond, Airfield, Va	143	...	...	4	2	...	137	70	60 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	600 00
Berea (Nansemond)	M. L. Hurley	A. Savage, Norfolk, Va	132	...	...	2	2	...	128	85	350 00	500 00	80 00	10 00	20 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	42 00	1,008 00	1,400 00
Berea (Norfolk)	J. T. Kitchen	M. W. Hollowell, Great Bridge, Va.	142	13	...	3	4	15	132	75	225 00	.....	20 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	75	52	100 00	350 27	1,500 00
Berkley	G. A. Beebe	B. Townsend, Berkley, Va	100	10	...	10	5	...	95	140	937 78	1 00	10 00	3 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	959 78	7,000 00
Bethany	R. A. Ricks	T. J. Lawrence, South Quay, Va	86	1	...	...	1	7	79	40	150 00	.....	35 00	5 00	10 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	50 00	253 00	1,800 00
Bethlehem	H. H. Butler	J. W. Faulk, Suffolk, Va	203	54	2	...	1	...	254	123	200 00	200 00	35 00	5 00	12 00	1 21	1 00	1 00	150 00	595 21	1,600 00
Burton's Grove	M. W. Butler	A. W. Parsons, Airfield, Va	112	5	...	5	...	2	110	59	100 00	.....	10 00	2 00	5 00	15	35	20	40 00	157 70	1,200 00
Centerville	J. W. Barrett	A. T. Hatch, Disputanta, Va	37	4	1	7	...	1	32	35	65 00	.....	2 00	73	3 00	40	30	30	21 50	93 23	325 00
Cypress Chapel	H. H. Butler	W. A. King, Suffolk, Va	328	11	8	...	6	...	325	166	225 00	.....	50 00	1 00	1 63	1 34	2 12	.....	40 00	321 09	2,000 00
Damascus	H. H. Butler	J. R. Rayner, Sunsbury, N. C.	223	10	3	...	2	3	225	90	225 00	.....	27 00	.....	2 26	1 00	2 00	.....	53 00	310 26	1,500 00
Eure's	J. T. Kitchen	J. S. Felton, Gatesville, N. C.	111	25	...	3	3	...	130	45	100 00	.....	8 62	.....	1 22	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	111 84	700 00
Franklin	J. P. Barrett	I. W. Norfleet, Franklin, Va	20	1	...	...	1	...	20	47	150 00	.....	10 00	5 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	156 89	326 89	3,000 00
Handsome's	No Pastor		.....	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hebron	C. C. Peele	R. H Holland, Holland, Va	123	7	...	...	...	1	129	.....	75 00	.....	10 00	2 00	1 92	88	32	34	.....	90 46	1,000 00
Holy Neck	M. L. Hurley	B. G. Porter, Holland, Va	413	33	...	...	3	...	443	111	400 00	500 00	90 00	10 00	20 00	1 50	90	1 00	50 00	1,073 40	2,500 00
Isle of Wight C. H.	J. T. Kitchen	R. L. Spivey, Isle of Wight C. H., Va.	35	11	...	...	...	...	46	87	150 00	.....	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	156 00	.....
Ivor	M. W. Butler	J. W. Brittle, Jr., Ivor, Va	62	...	...	...	...	...	62	48	80 00	10 00	5 00	2 00	5 00	66	66	68	15 50	119 50	1,000 00
Johnson's Grove	J. P. Barrett	J. W. Johnson, Vicksvi le, Va	76	26	2	...	...	1	99	69	125 00	.....	5 00	2 50	5 00	1 00	1 00	81	20 00	160 31	800 00
Liberty Spring	M. W. Butler	F. E. Parker, Savage's Crossing, Va.	173	...	1	...	1	...	171	83	150 00	20 00	6 00	2 00	6 35	33	34	33	35 00	220 35	1,300 00
Mt. Carmel	M. B. Barrett	P. D. Howell, Windsor, Va	278	27	...	1	2	43	259	109	125 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	2 50	.....	.....	1 00	.....	158 50	1,200 00
Mt. Zion	H. H. Butler	G.W. Haughwout, Crittenden's, Va	.....	...	...	...	...	...	42	92	85 00	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	48 58	143 58	3,500 00
New Lebanon	M. W. Butler	O. V. Cocke, Spottsville, Va	34	11	...	4	...	1	40	90	60 00	.....	5 00	1 00	3 00	50	41	50	100 00	170 41	1,000 00
Norfolk	C. J. Jones		.....	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oakland	H. H. Butler	A. L. Saunders, Everett's, Va	108	2	...	2	2	2	104	70	150 00	.....	12 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	86	.....	.....	165 86	1,200 00
Providence	R A. Ricks	F. L. Portlock, Great Bridge, Va	93	...	1	2	...	...	90	62	300 00	50 00	15 00	5 00	10 00	2 45	.....	.....	422 10	804 55	2,560 00
Sharon	No Pastor		.....	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Spring Hill	J. W. Barrett	R. T. West, Waverly, Va	119	3	5	...	...	...	115	69	200 00	8 50	35 00	3 00	27 89	68	50	50	108 00	384 07	1,000 00
Suffolk	W. W Staley	B. F. Cutchin, Suffolk, Va	182	38	1	1	1	1	216	194	900 00	.....	50 00	10 00	15 00	4 00	3 00	3 00	355 00	1,340 00	7,000 00
Union (South'mpt'n)	C. C. Peele	J. E. Scott, Isaacs, Va	145	1	...	...	...	12	134	.....	100 00	.....	10 00	5 00	75	86	54	70	.....	118 65	1,000 00
Union (Surry)	M. W. Butler	C. W Whitmore, Dendron, Va	93	28	5	...	...	28	88	76	100 00	.....	5 00	2 00	5 00	83	1 33	1 22	101 00	215 38	1,000 00
Waverly	J. W. Barrett	J. W. Johnson, Waverly, Va	66	6	...	1	...	...	61	61	150 00	.....	6 50	1 00	2 00	50	43	50	6 00	165 93	1,500 00
Windsor	M. B. Barrett	M. L. Watkins, Windsor, Va	72	...	8	1	1	...	62	70	100 00	.....	16 50	2 00	.....	1 00	50	.....	98 00	218 00	1,500 00

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Deep River Christian Conference.

STALEY, N. C.,
November 7th, 1890.

The Deep River Christian Conference met here to-day at 12 o'clock M., and was called to order by Rev. H. A. Albright, President of last session.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. E. H. Jarrell.

The roll of ministers and churches was called, with the following results:

MINISTERS PRESENT—W. B. Richardson, H. A. Albright, E. H. Jarrell, J. A. Webster, H. T. Moffit, and J. S. Lawrence.

MINISTERS ABSENT—W. W. Lawrence, W. R. Brown, W. M. Craven, W. N. Hays, S. H. Way, B. F. Howard, W. W. Hayworth, B. F. Kern and H. Vuncannon.

CHURCHES AND DELEGATES.

Pleasant Grove: Isaac F. Brady, James Scott. *Park's Cross Roads:* James A. Parks and J. R. Parks. *Smithwood:* D. F. Way and P. C. Humble. *Pleasant Ridge:* A. H. Williams and M. P. Cox. *New Centre:* A. J. McNeal. *New Bear Creek:* Not represented. *Brown's Chapel:* Brittain Sanders and Hardee Sanders. *Shady Grove:* Hiram Freeman.* *Shiloh:* Enoch S. Craven. *Antioch:* James M. Fox and B. F. Grady. *Staley:* T. J. Moffit. *Christian Union:* J. R. Comer. *Patterson's Grove:* M. E. Hammer and B. F. Harden* *Pleasant Cross:* W. H. Cox and T. M. Ellison. *Union Grove:* Stanley S. Cox* and D. W. Brown.* *Big Oak:* W. N. Hall and Haywood Morgan. *Macedonia:* Not represented. *Mt. Union:* J. B. Nall and J. W. Dean. *St. John's:* Not represented.

* Not present on the first day.

A quorum being present, the President announced the first business to be the election of permanent officers.

Rev. H. A. Albright was chosen President, Rev. H. T. Moffit Vice-President, and Brother T. J. Moffit Assistant Secretary.

Bros. J. A. Parks and J. R. Comer were added to the Committee on Foreign Missions, and Bro. Isaac F. Brady to that of Home Missions.

Revs. W. S. Long, D D., and J. W. Patton, of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference, and the Eastern Virginia Conference, being present, were, on motion, invited to seats as deliberative members. The brethren accepted the invitation with appropriate remarks.

Bro. Long, by invitation, gave an interesting account of his visit to the American Christian Convention, held at Marion, Indiana, in October last.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That this body meet at 9 A. M., adjourn at 12 M., for dinner, convene at 1 P. M., and adjourn at will.

On motion, Conference adjourned, to meet to-morrow at 9 A. M. Religious exercises conducted by Rev. W. S. Long, D. D.

SECOND DAY.

Conference convened, the President presiding.

Religious services led by Rev. J. S. Lawrence.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Bro. P. C. Humble, delegate from Smithwood, arrived and was enrolled.

The Committee on Foreign Missions made their report, as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Foreign Missions beg leave to submit the following:

The outlook of our Foreign Mission work in Japan is very encouraging, Bros. D. F. Jones and wife and H. J. Rhodes and wife are there as missionaries from the Christian Church. They are preaching, teaching, and studying the Japanese language, with good success. There are also several lady teachers laboring in conjunction with them, all of whom are looking for a support from our Church. The main trouble in the work seems to be the lack of means to push forward this good cause. Your Committee therefore recommend that this Conference appeal to our people for a more liberal support of this great and good work, and ask them to give as here indicated:

Brown's Chapel, $3.00; Antioch, $2.00; Pleasant Grove, $5.00; Park's X Roads, $5.00; Smithwood, $2.50; Staley's, $2.00; Pleasant Ridge, $4 00; Pleasant Cross, $2.00; Union Grove, $4.00; New Center, $3.00; Christian Union, $2.00; Shady Grove, $3.50; Big Oak, $3.00; St. John's, $2.00; Patterson's Grove, $2.00; Macedonia, $2.00; Mt. Union, $2.00; Spoon's Chapel, $1.00.

And we further recommend that ministers be requested to preach a missionary sermon at each church of which they have charge, during the Conference year, and take collections as the case may require.

Respectfully submitted,

W. B. RICHARDSON,
J. R. COMER,
Committee.

The report was discussed by Revs. W. B. Richardson, W. S. Long, D. D. and H. T. Moffit; after which it was unanimously adopted.

Dr. D. H. Albright and Col. William H. Hatch of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference, being present, were, on motion, invited to seats as deliberative members. The brethren accepted with appropriate remarks.

On motion, Rev. J. A. Cooper of the M. E. Church, North, was also invited to a seat as an honorary member. He kindly accepted.

To the Deep River Christian Conference, greeting:

The church at Spoon's Chapel was organized by Rev. H. A. Albright, on the 23d of March, 1890, adopting the Principles of the Christian Church, and having seven members. Deacons not appointed; Secretary, William McPherson; Collector and Treasurer, John C. Wright. This church petitions for membership in your body.

Approved November 8th, 1890.

H. T. MOFFITT,
Chairman Executive Committee.

On motion, the petition was granted, and Spoon's Chapel was received into Conference, and Bros. William McPherson and John C. Wright were enrolled as delegates.

B. F. Harden, delegate from Patterson's Grove, arrived and was enrolled.

Rev. W. R. Brown arrived and was enrolled.

The Executive Committee made the following report, and being debated by Revs. W. B. Richardson, E. H. Jarrell, J. A. Webster and H. A. Albright, was, on motion, adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your committee make their report as follows:

1. Bro. B. F. Keen, of Shady Grove Church, appeared before us on the second day of August, 1890, recommended by letter from that church for license. We were satisfied with his examination as directed by our Principles, and therefore licensed him to preach the gospel as a probationer.

2. We recommend that this Conference supply St. John's Church with a suitable pastor to take charge, and look after our interest there.

Respectfully submitted,

H. T. MOFFITT,
W. W. LAWRENCE,
H. A. ALBRIGHT,
Committee.

Committee on Temperance reported as follows:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee on Temperance recommend the adoption of last year's report upon this subject, which is as follows:

"WHEREAS, Intemperance is one of the greatest curses of our land, both in church and State, interfering with our highest interests socially, morally and religiously, leading to everlasting destruction from the presence of God and from the glory of His power; therefore,

Resolved, That we, as a Conference, will use our influence to suppress the manufacture, sale and use of intoxicating liquors, and will endeavor to instil the principles of sobriety into the minds of our children; and that we will present the teachings of the Bible on this line, both from our pulpit and in our Sabbath-schools, and endeavor to show by our daily walk, that we practice what we preach

Resolved, further, That we advise our brethren not to fellowship any one who aids or abets in the manufacture and sale of intoxicants, or any one who uses them as an article of entertainment.

Resolved, finally, That all our ministers in charge be requested to preach one sermon on the evils of intemperance at each of their churches."

T. J. MOFFITT,
Chairman Committee.

Discussed by Bros. W. B. Richardson, E. H. Jarrell, W. S. Long, D. D., Dr. Albright, Rev. J. S. Lawrence, J. R. Parks and Rev. H. A. Albright. Adopted.

On motion, Conference adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference convened. President in the chair. Church letters handed in and read.

The Committee on Education beg leave to make a partial report as follows:

1. We recommend Elon College, of which Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., is President, to your favorable consideration, as a suitabe place to educate our people. This school should receive the full endorsement of our people.

2. We recommend also to your consideration the propriety of raising funds by voluntary contributions to aid young men in their preparation to preach the gospel. Conference shall arrange the terms by which these funds may be used.

Respectfully submitted,

H. T. MOFFITT,
J. S. LAWRENCE,
H. A. ALBRIGHT,
Committee.

The report was discussed by Revs. H. T. Moffitt, W. S. Long, D. D., W. R. Brown and J. R. Parks.

The report was adopted, and in connection therewith, the following resolutions were offered and adopted:

Resolved, 1. That all funds collected for the purpose of aiding young men in preparing themselves to preach the gospel, shall be paid to the Treasurer of this Conference, and held by him subject to the order of the Committee on Education.

Resolved, 2. The Committee on Education be instructed to lend the money collected for young men, to such as give promise of usefulness, upon these terms: That they give their individual bonds without interest, and that they pay these bonds as soon as they can. And, further, should they not preach in the Christian Church, then they are to pay the bond and interest at legal rate for the time they use it.

During the discussion of the above report and resolutions, Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., arrived and was, on motion, invited to a seat as a deliberative member. Bro. Barrett accepted in his own good way.

On motion, Conference proceeded to take pledges for the above named purpose as follows: Park's Cross Roads $7, Smithwood $5, Pleasant Ridge $5, New Center $1, Brown's Chapel $3, Shady Grove $5, Shiloh $10, Staley $1, Pleasant Cross $1, Union Grove $5, Big Oak $3 Mt. Union $1, Pleasant Grove $2, Bro. J. R. Comer $1, M. E. Hammer $1, J. M. Fox $1 (paid), Revs. J. S. Lawrence $1.50, H. A. Albright $1, W B. Richardson $1, E. H. Jarrell $1, J. W. Patton $1 (paid), Dr. Long $1 (paid), Bro. J. A. Parks $1.

On motion, Conference adjourned.

Religious services conducted by Rev. J. W. Patton.

THIRD DAY.

Conference assembled. Called to order by the President.

Religious exercises by Rev. W. B. Richardson.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

The Committee on Home Missions made their report, which was debated by Revs. W. B. Richardson, E. H. Jarrell, J. A. Webster, J. P. Barrett, D. D., H. T. Moffit, Bros. J. R. Parks and M. E. Hammer. Carried.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

There is no subject that demands our attention more than Home Missions. There are inviting fields all around us, already white unto harvest. The cry comes, "Enter and reap." But in order to do this there must be labor bestowed. That this work may be performed, we must have money with which to pay the laborers. Therefore,

Resolved, first, That this Conference ask the churches, severally, to form missionary societies and arrange to raise small sums quarterly for the support of Home Missions.

Resolved, further, That we require each brother having charge of paying appointments, to employ his Sabbaths not occupied in serving the regular churches in doing missionary work. Respectfully submitted,

W. B. RICHARDSON,
I. F. RRADY,
Committee.

The Committee on Religious Literature submitted their report as follows, which was discussed with interest by Revs. J. S. Lawrence, H. T. Moffit, W. B. Richardson, J. P. Barrett, D. D., and Bro. J. A. Parks, and was adopted:

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We, your Committee on Religious Literature, beg leave to report as follows:

1st. We recommend the Bible, for the reason that the state of man, the prevalence of disease and death, offer problems which mere reason finds it very hard to solve. The Scriptures pour a flood of light upon such topics, and also upon the existence of an all-wise Being, the Creator and Sustainer of the world.

Herein the Bible stands apart from all other books. It contains the highest philosophy, and has taken a hold on mankind which no other book has ever done. How solemn is the responsibility resting upon all to read it with humility and a teachable spirit, and with an ardent desire to be made wise unto eternal life.

2d. We would recommend the selection and the reading of such literature as will best prepare the mind for prizing aright the Bible and its sacred teachings.

3d. We recommend to all lovers of liberal and warm-hearted Christianity the *Christian Sun*, published at Raleigh, by Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D.; and also those books now published, or that may be published from time to time by the Christian Board of Publication.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN S. LAWRENCE,
W. R. BROWN,
Committee.

The Committee on Sabbath-Schools submitted the following:

REPORT ON SABBATH-SCHOOLS.

Your Committee on Sabbath-Schools respectfully report that the Sabbath-school work is encouraging within our bounds. Nearly all our churches have Sabbath-schools. The churches that sustain such schools are the most prosperous. This proves the great benefit of such schools. We urge the brethren to do all the work possible along this line. We further recommend our quarterlies, published at Dayton, Ohio, and also vocal music in our Sabbath-schools.

Respectfully submitted, W. R. BROWN,
HIRAM FREEMAN,
Committee.

Adopted.

Rev. W. W. Lawrence arrived and was enrolled.

On motion, the union of the Christian Church, North and South, as agreed to by these two bodies in the American Christian Convention, held at Marion, Indiana, October last, was endorsed by this Conference.

On motion, it was decided to hold the next session of this Conference at Brown's Chapel, Moore County, N. C., to convene on Thursday, 12 M., before the second Sunday of November, 1891.

Conference adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference convened, the President presiding.

Conference contributed $5.05 for the benefit of Rev. A. S. Nelson, who is now old and very feeble.

On motion, Bro. J. A. Parks and Rev. H. T. Moffit were elected Fraternal Messengers to the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference.

To the Deep River Christian Conference, greeting:

The church at Pleasant Union was organized August 23rd, 1890, by Rev. E. H. Jarrell, adopting the Principles of the Christian Church, and numbering ten members. Deacons, N. Yeates and K. R. Bell; N. Yeats Secretary; R. W. Lee, Sexton. This church petitions for membership in your body.

Approved November 9th, 1890.

H. T. MOFFITT,
Chairman Executive Committee.

On motion, the petition was granted, and the church received.

On motion, Conference decided to have the minutes printed in the ANNUAL, and the money necessary for that purpose was raised.

The Committee on Education made the following additional report:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Bro. J. R. Comer, belonging to the church at Christian Union, Randolph County, N. C., was before us asking for license. We examined as directed by our Principles. We think him a worthy young man. He comes well recommended. We therefore recommend him to your favorable consideration, and worthy to receive license to preach the gospel. The Rev. J. A. Cooper, of the M. E. Church, North, was before us desiring to join the Deep River Christian Conference. We are satisfied with the examination had, and also with the recommendations received of him. We deem him a worthy gentleman and christian. We therefore recommend that he be received into this Conference as an ordained minister.

Respectfully submitted, H. T. MOFFITT,
J. S. LAWRENCE,
H. A. ALBRIGHT,
Committee.

On motion, the above report was unanimously adopted. Bro. Comer was licensed and Bro. Cooper was enrolled as a minister of the gospel in the Christian Church.

The special committee made their report as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

Your Committee on Memoirs beg leave to report—

That the clergy of this Conference has been visited since last session by the hand of death. Elder J. B. Ausley has been called from labor to reward. He died January 1st, 1890.

Resolved, 1. That we sympathise greatly with the bereaved relatives and friends of the deceased brother.

Resolved, 2. That we truly mourn the loss of a good man and minister of this Conference.

Respectfully submitted,
J. A. WEBSTER,
ISAAC F. BRADY,
Committee.

The above report was unanimously adopted.

The following ministers handed in the report of their ministerial work:

John S. Lawrence: Had charge of Pleasant Grove, Shiloh, Union Grove and Brown's Chapel. Preached ninety seven sermons, five funerals and married four.

W. B Richardson: Had charge of Shady Grove Church; filled two mission appointments, assisted in five protracted meetings, and organized one mission Sunday school of about twenty scholars; forty-two sermons, eight Sunday-school lectures, and forty-eight pastoral visits.

J. W. Patton: Had charge of Park's Cross Roads and Staley's; preached thirty-four sermons; five conversions in pastoral charge; made fifty pastoral visits; performed one funeral service; married two. Amount of salary, $110.

W. W. Lawrence: Had no charge; preached occasionally; performed one funeral service.

J. A. Webster: Had charge of Antioch, Macedonia and Pleasant Cross; assisted in five protracted meetings; preached seventy sermons; preached two funerals; six conversions; married two couples.

E. H Jarrell: Had charge of Patterson's Grove and Mt. Union, and organized Pleasant Union.

H. A. Albright: Had charge of Big Oak; organized Spoon's Chapel in March, and preached there the balance of the year; preached —— sermons; performed one funeral service.

H. T. Moffit: Had no charge; labored in Sunday schools to some extent; assisted in several protracted meetings; preached several times during the year.

S. H. Way: Had no charge; have preached occasionally; aided in several protracted meetings; superintended a Sunday-school at Union Grove.

W. W. Hayworth was sick and not able to attend Conference, or to make any report of his work; but he had charge of Pleasant Ridge, New Center and Christian Union.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due the people of this vicinity for the very kind and hospitable manner in which they have entertained the members of Conference, and are hereby tendered unto them.

On motion, this resolution was unanimously adopted.

On motion, the Rev. E. H. Jarrell was appointed to deliver the next annual address, or sermon, before this body.

The President announced the standing committees for next year as follows:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Revs. J. S. Lawrence, W. W. Hayworth, H. T. Moffit, and, by motion, Rev. H. A. Albright was added to this Committee. Reports first day, 2 P. M. FOREIGN MISSIONS—Rev. H. T. Moffit, Bros. Willard Brown and J. R. Parks. Reports second day at 10:30 A. M. SABBATH-SCHOOLS—Bros. L. E. Brady, Hiram Freeman, William H. Cox, and Rev. J. A. Webster. Reports second day at 11:15 A. M. TEMPERANCE—Rev. S. H. Way, Bros. C. H. Welch, J. M. Fox, and Rev. E. H. Jarrell. Reports second day at 2 P. M. HOME MISSIONS—Rev. W. R. Brown, Bros. E. A. Moffit, P. C. Humble and C. D. Williamson. Reports third day at 10:30 A. M. LITERATURE—Rev. W. B. Richardson, Jas. A. Parks, Stanley S. Cox and B. F. Kern. Reports third day at 1:30 P. M. EDUCATION—Revs. W. W. Lawrence, W. R. Brown and H. T. Moffit, and H. A. Albright was added by motion.

On motion, Conference adjourned to meet with the church at Brown's Chapel, Moore County, N. C., on Thursday, 12 M., before the second Sabbath in November, 1891.

Benediction by Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D.

H. A. ALBRIGHT, President.
H. T. MOFFITT, Vice-President.

T. J. MOFFITT, Assistant Secretary.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	No. Reported last Session.	Received since.	Dismissed.	Withdrawn.	Died.	Expelled.	Present Membership.	Amount paid Pastor.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Conference and Publishing Funds.	For other Purposes.	Total Amount.	Value of Church Property.
Pleasant Grove	J. S. Lawrence	213	11		2	3		219	$40 00	$	$2 50	$1 10	$ 18 10	$ 61 70	$ 800 00
Park's Cross Roads	J. W. Patton	101	4		1	2		102	85 00	2 10	1 50	2 50		91 10	1,200 00
Smithwood	W. R. Brown	47	18					65	40 00			1 50	25 00	66 50	500 00
Pleasant Ridge	W. W. Hayworth	130	1	1		2		128	18 40	2 30	2 00	1 60		24 30	700 00
New Center	W. W. Hayworth	101		4	3			94		2 52	1 50	1 70		5 72	400 00
New Bear Creek															
Brown's Chapel	J. S. Lawrence	95		1	1		6	87	25 00			1 20	5 80	32 00	200 00
Shady Grove	W. B. Richardson	86				1		85	27 65	3 00	1 50	2 50	1 20	35 85	300 00
Shiloh	J. S. Lawrence	162		4	2	1		155	16 70		1 32	2 00	5 00	25 02	800 00
Antioch	J. A. Webster	25						25	10 00		40	70	109 23	120 33	200 00
Staley's	J. W. Patton								25 00					25 00	300 00
Christian Union	W. W. Hayworth									1 70	1 75	1 50		4 95	300 00
Patterson's Grove	E. H. Jarrell	27						27	16 15			1 00	11 50	28 65	250 00
Pleasant Cross	J. A. Webster	40			2			38	5 00	60	50	50		6 60	200 00
Union Grove	J. S. Lawrence	85						85	26 00			1 00		27 00	800 00
Big Oak	H. A. Albright	69				1	1	67	36 00	4 36	1 50	2 50		44 36	500 00
Macedonia	J. A. Webster	18						18			30			30	
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St. John's															300 00
Spoon's Chapel	H. A. Albright		7					7							
Pleasant Union	E. H. Jarrell		10					10							

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

SIXTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference.

HINES' CHAPEL, GUILFORD CO., N. C.,
November 18, 1890.

The North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference met to-day in its sixty-fifth annual session. Rev. W. T. Herndon, President of last session, called the body to order.

Religious exercises by Rev. S. Apple, reading the 23d Psalm, hymn 114 Gospel Hymns. A short prayer and praise meeting was held.

The Secretary then called the roll of ministers, with the following responses:

Elders: Solomon Apple, C. A. Boon, W. G. Clements, P. H. Fleming, H. C. Fulton, J. L. Foster, Jno. W. Hatch, W. T. Herndon, J. W. Holt, N. B. Hunnicutt, A. F. Iseley, E. T. Iseley, P. T. Klapp, S. B. Klapp, W. S. Long, L. C. Madison, J. U. Newman, J. W. Pinnix, J. W. Patton, W. H. Roach, T. W. Stroud, R. G. Tinnin, G. R. Underwood, J. W. Wellons, J. A. Whiteman, J. D. Wicker, D. R. Yarborough.

Licentiates: Revs. T. B. Dawson, J. W. Fonville, H. L. Hines, L. W. Mangum, P. T. Way.

ROLL OF CHURCHES.

Apple's Chapel: D. L. Thomas, James Dawson. *Amelia:* J. E. Austin. *Auburn:* J. E. Langston, J. I. Branch. *Bethlehem:* J Ross, A. D. Madren, L. D. Rippy. *Beulah:* D. L. Hicks. *Burlington:* Miss Callie Holt, L. J. Fonville. *Bethany:* J. R. Riley, J. S. Carden. *Catawba Springs:* J. A. Franks. *Christian Chapel:* Robert Rollins. *Concord:* D. Garrison. *Center Grove:* J. D. Griffin *Christian Light:* J. R. Brown. *Durham:* W L. Moring. *Ebenezer:* M. D. Byron. *Grace's Chapel:* J. N. Johnson, C. H. Black. *Hank's Chapel:* L U. Hatch, C. E. Griffin. *Hayes' Chapel:* Jas. A. S. Holder, S. M. Smith. *Hebron:* A. C. Yancy, P. A. Rice. *Hines' Chapel:* Z. C. Melvin, E. D. Hines. *Howard's Chapel:* G. W. Suits, L. J. Sutton. *High Point:* Miss Sallie Bolling, J. W. Parker. *Keyser:* W. W. Mills. *Lebanon:* J. M. Smith, R. A. Taylor. *Liberty (R.):* O. T. Hatch. *Long's Chapel:* C. H. Roney, G. T. Hurdle. *Martha's Chapel:* M. Morgan, W. A. Ellington. *Morrisaille:* J. H. Moring. *Mt. Auburn:* T. J. Haskins. *Mt. Bethel:* W. A. Sharp. *Mt. Hermon:* R. S. Penny, G. F. Fowler. *Mt Zion:* J. B. Richmond. *Mt. Pleasant:* J. J. Spivey. *New Elam:* J. C. Davis, W. G. Lasater. *New Hope:* W. R. Rogers. *New Hill:* D. S. O'Daniel. *New Providence:* J. W. Harden. *Oak Level:* J. Winston, E. B. Williams. *O'Kelly's Chapel:* J. W. Atkins, G. M. Parrish. *Pleasant Hill (C.)* D. H. Albright. *Pleasant Hill (J.):* J. C. Hardy, L. U. Creech. *Pleasant Union:* E. B. Taylor. *Pleasant Ridge:*——— *Pleasant Grove (Va.):* J. W. Carlton, S. J. Farmer, D. S. Farmer. *Poplar Branch:* J. W. Cox, Dempsey Hunt. *Plymouth:* C. H. Roland. *Raleigh:* A. Moring. *Shallow Ford:* Peter Michael, T. J. Cobb. *Salem Chapel:* T. P. Dalton, W. H. Marshall. *Sage Garden:* H. H. Holder. *Turner's Chapel:* W. B. Webster. *Union (N. C.):* W. A. McCauley, J. A. Graham, J. A. Noble, J. A. Boland. *Wake Chapel:* K. B. Johnson. *Youngsville:* W. T. Young. *Zion:* J. A. Kelly, W. C. Wicker. *Spilona:* D. B. Lasater, J. W. Sanders.

The first business in order was the election of a President.

Rev. W. T. Herndon, President of last session was unanimously elected President for this session, and the ensuing year, and accepted in appropriate remarks.

Bro. W. C. Wicker was elected Assistant Secretary.

The organization being completed, Rev. J. W. Holt proceeded to deliver the annual address. Reading part of 71st Psalm, hymn 577. Prayer by Rev. P. H. Fleming. Subject, "Power a blessing only in action," text Isaiah LI:I.

Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President Herndon in the chair.

Vacancies on committees filled W. A. Ellington was appointed on Committee on Sunday-schools.

Rev. J W. Patton was received in this Conference as an elder from the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference

Rev. R. A Ricks was received as a Fraternal Messenger from the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, and accepted in fitting remarks.

Revs. W. T. Walker and N G. Newman of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, were invited to seats in this body as deliberative members.

On motion, the schedule of last session was adopted: Meet each day at 9:30 A. M, adjourn at 12:30 for dinner; meet pursuant to adjournment, and adjourn at will in the afternoon.

On motion, the pastor and deacons of Hines' Chapel were appointed a Committee on Religious Exercieses.

Ministerial reports called for and read.

On motion, the following committee were appointed on Finance: J. W. Harden, T. J. Haskins, W. G. Lasater.

On motion, Bro. J. H. Moring was appointed to receive amounts for the ANNUAL.

Closing exercises by W. S Long.

Adjourned.

SECOND DAY.

President in the chair.

Religious exercises by Rev. R. A. Ricks.

Roll called, minutes read, corrected and approved.

The following was read:

WHEREAS, Rev. J. W. Holt did, in his discourse at the opening of this Conference, make statements relating to the proceedings of this body in which he reflected seriously upon this Conference; therefore

Resolved, 1st, That a committee of five be appointed to investigate all matters referred to by the said Rev. J. W. Holt, and report to this body during its present session what action is proper to take in order to fix whatever censure is deserved on the proper party; or, if none is due, to recommend some course by which all such censure be removed.

Resolved, 2d, That Rev. J. W. Holt be required to appear before this committee raised by these resolutions, and produce the statements made in the discourse at the opening of this session of Conference.

Resolved, 3d, That said committee be granted leave to retire and act on said matter immediately.

The above paper was adopted and referred to special committee.

Rev. J. P. Barrett and Bro. R. A. Hyslop, of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, were invited to seats as deliberative members.

The following delegates were enrolled:

Catawba Springs: J. A. Franks. *Antioch* (C.): J. D. Oldham and J. B. Beal. *Mt. Zion*: J. B. Richardson. *Damascus*: M. J. W. McCauley. *Palmyra*: MRS. J. B. Whiteman. *Raleigh*: J. P. Barrett.

On motion, Big Falls Christian Church was received in this Conference and delegate, F. M. Farrell, enrolled.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee on Temperance report: That realizing the fact that the churches have been passing resolutions and adopting temperance reports at their Conferences, through temperance committees, which is the last we hear of them; in fact, it is not worth but little, if anything, and practically amounts to nothing at last. And

WHEREAS, In this age of civilization all good people agree that intemperance is one of the greatest, most wide-spread and dangerons evils in our land, morally, socially, financially and religiously to church and State; and as we think the time has come for the church of God to take a decided stand for temperance and against the demon alcohol, by removing dead limbs and rotten fruits, if they expect the church to prosper, as God will not honor and bless a church which permits and allows its members to traffic in, or use that which destroys the souls and bodies of themselves and their fellowmen.

Resolved, 1. That as a Conference we will use our influence and power as a Christian body to suppress the manufacture, sale and use of all intoxicating drinks. That we will not only endeavor to show, but will show by our acts and daily walk that we practice what we preach.

Resolved, 2. That as a Conference we advise and instruct our churches to withdraw fellowship from any and all members who make, sell, drink or give to other as a beverage, intoxicating liquors of any kind, for a term of six or twelve months, at the end of said term, if the guilty party neglects or refuses to desist and reform the evil then, in that case, after proper notice and a fair trial, in accordance with rules and government of the Christian denomination, expel them from all church privileges.

D. H. ALBRIGHT,
A. F. ISELEY,
Committee.

Discussed, and the following amendments were offered:

1. That the only right position to take is that of absolute and total prohibition, and that we will zealously and continuously labor for that end.
2. That we earnestly recommend our churches to abstain from the use of fermented wine in the communion service.
3. That we recommend all our churches and Sunday-schools to adopt some form of organized and systematic temperence work.
4. That we deeply regret that the traffic has insinuated itself into the warp and woof of our State and national politics, boldly seeking for a treasonable balance of power, and to compel all parties to do its bidding, but since it has we have no choosing at the ballot box.
5. That we regard the ballot as a sacred trust, a powerful and efficient instrument which it is our imperative duty to use in direct and positive opposition to this evil, and that if our two leadng political parties do not so espouse the cause of prohibition as to give us opportunity for its exercise we are driven to the necessity of finding some other way.

After discussion the amendment was adopted, then the report as a whole.

A petition from the Raleigh Christian Church was read by Rev. J. P. Barrett, asking aid from the Home Mission Fund on pastor's salary, which, after discussion, was referred to the Committee on Home Missions.

On motion amended, requiring the committee to report this afternoon at three o'clock.

Report from the church at Reidsville read, and by motion, referred to Committee on Home Missions.

Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President in the chair.

On motion, Rev. H. T. Moffitt was received as fraternal messenger from the Deep River Christian Conference, and accepted with appropriate remarks.

Following delegates enrolled:

Durham: W. L. Moring. *Center Grove*: J. D. Griffin. *Bethlehem*: L. D. Rippey

Committee on Home Missions submitted the following report. Discussed by Revs. Klapps and Pinnix. During the discussion a collection was taken, which amounted to $14.28:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Committee on Home Missions submit the following partial report:

Missions means religion reduced to practice. It is the Gospel in action. It is Christianity exemplified. The Master has said, "A man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth." So a Christian can really claim as his only what he has given, what he has done. The work of our Conference, estimated along that line, amounted to but little until the last few years, and our present accumulations amount to but little, measured by what we are doing. More religion means more missions, and more missions means more progress and greater blessings. "There is that scattereth and yet increaseth, and there is that withholdeth more than is mete, and yet it tendeth to poverty." Upon this ground we ask for a liberal support of Home Missions. A number of points within the bounds of this Conference are unable to give anything like a financial support to the ministers serving them, and without the assistance of a Home Mission fund, will be left to die from neglect.

J. W. HOLT,
S. B. KLAPP,
J. D. WICKER,
T. W. STROWD.

After discussion the report was adopted.

On motion, Conference went into the selection of a place for holding the next session of this body. Shallow Ford, and Pleasant Grove, Va., invited Conference to meet with them. Pleasant Grove was selected.

On motion, all church letters were called for and ordered to be statistically tabulated, and all petitions be reported to this Conference.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF LAST CONFERENCE.

To the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference:

The undersigned having been appointed by you at your last session to make sale of the old church known as "Sharon," in Mecklenburg County, Va., beg leave to report: That T. D. Philips, surveying trustee, has, under decree of the Circuit Court, sold the same for twenty five dollars. The Court having decreed it to be sold on twelve months' time, he had not, as yet, paid over the proceeds.

Very respectfully, S. P. READ.

The report was adopted, and Bro. Read continued as committee.

Letters from ministers to whom appropriations were made last Conference from Home Missions were read; stating the progress of the work where they had labored.

Capt. J. M. Smith made statements in regard to Lebanon Church, asking that the church be excused from assessments. The matter was referred to Committee on Home Missions.

On motion, the following Committee on Standing of the Ministry was appointed: Rev. C. A. Boon, S. B. Klapp, W. H. Roach.

The hour for special order having arrived the chairman submitted the following:

We your committee are not prepared to make any recommendations in regard to the proposed appropriation to the Raleigh Christian Church at present, and ask for further time

J. W. HOLT,
S. B. KLAPP,
T. W. STROUD.

On motion the request was granted.

On motion, an account of the Secretary was allowed, and ordered to be paid. Amount $1.94

Conference proceeded to elect a person to deliver the next annual address. Rev. J. L. Foster was chosen, with Rev. P. H. Fleming as alternate.

Fraternal Messengers were called and the following responded: Rev. W. S. Long had attended the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, and the Deep River Conference, and reported much progress in the work.

The special committee asked, "could one witness sustain a charge against a minister?"

On motion, Conference decided that "it is the sense of this body that one reliable witness is sufficient to proceed with trial against a minister of this Conference."

Adjourned. Religious exercises by Rev. Dr. Barrett.

THIRD DAY.

President Herndon in the chair.

Religious exercises by Rev. W. G. Clements.

Roll called. Minutes of yesterday were not read, owing to the absence of some report.

The following delegate was enrolled: Concord, A. J. Thompson.

Bro. J. H. Moring reported a deficiency of three hundred in the number of ANNUALS necessary to have our proceedings published. On motion, Conference proceeded to secure the necessary number to make the deficiency. The necessary number was secured.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

All who are capable of forming a correct opinion on the subject agree that education is of vital importance to all interests. This is true in material affairs as well as in things spiritual. No department of human activity prospers unless it is guided by some intelligent hand, and no organization of Christian people can grow and exercise its legitimate power unless it calls to its aid the enlightening and refining influences of education. Yet many do not realize this, and allow their children to grow up in ignorance.

We wish to call the special attention of our people to this great interest of the church. We affirm that intelligence is strength, influence and power, while ignorance is nothing but weakness and inefficiency.

We are glad to announce that Elon College, which has been in course of erection for two years, was opened to the public second of September, 1890, with a large and interesting number of students, representing the different Conferences of our Convention. Among them are ten young men preparing for the ministry in the Christian Church. Seven professors and teachers were selected and put in charge, and the trustees and friends are determined to make this institution the pride and ornament of our denomination. Already among us the cause of education is putting on new life, and the leading educators of other denominations are sending us words of cheer and encouragement. The accommodations for students will soon be ample and convenient, and every advantage given that is offered by other similar institutions.

We recommend—

1. That the ministers of this Conference be requested to urge the people, both publicly and privately to avail themselves of every opportunity to educate their children.

2. That the claims of Elon College be faithfully presented to the people, and students encouraged to enter it.

3. That the Christian Correspondence College be commeded to ministers who wish to improve themselves in their great work of preaching Christ.

4. That the churches be requested to raise for education of young ministers the following amounts:

Antioch $3, Apples' Chapel $8, Bethlehem $8 Beulah $2, Turner's Chapel $2, Catawba $4, Christian Chapel $6, Burlington $5, Damascus $5, Ebenezer $3, Good Hope $3, Hank's Chappel $6.50, Happy Home $3. Hayes' Chapel $4, Hebron $3.50, Hines' Chapel $6, Kalium Grove $3, Lebanon $5, Liberty (Vance) $4, Liberty (Randolph) $2, Lockville $1, Martha's Chapel $3, Moore Union $3, Morrisville $3, Mt. Auburn $6, Mt. Bethel $3, Mt. Carmel $2, Mt. Hermon $2, Mt. Zion $2, New Elam $6, New Hill $1.50, New Hope $4, New Providence $10, Oak Level $5, O'Kelly's Chapel $4, Pleasant Grove (Va.) $8, Pleasant Hill (C.) $5, Pleasant Hill (J.) $5, Pleasant Union $3, Pleasant Ridge $3, Pope's Chapel $6, Popular Branch $3. Plymoth $2, Raleigh $3, Salem Chapel $6, Shallow Well $5, Shallow Ford $3, Union (Va.) $6, Union (N. C.) $10, Wake Chapel $7, Walnut Grove $2, Zion $6, Grace's Chapel $3, Youngsville $3 Pleasant Grove $2, Howard's Chapel $3, Long's Chapel $5, Mt. Pleasant $2, Bethany $2, Keyser $3, Egypt $1, Center Grove $1.50, Auburn $2, Sage Garden $1, Christian Light $1.50, Durham $2.50, High Point $2, Spilona $1.50.

Respectfully submitted,

W. S. LONG,
J. W. WELLONS,
W. G CLEMENTS,
P. T. KLAPP,
Committee.

Discussed by Revs. Pinnix and Wellons and Dr. Long, the president

of Elon College, whose practical and persuasive arguments were truly appreciated, and by Dr. Herndon, the agent of the College. During the discussion a collection was taken amounting to $16.15 cash, and $23 subscription, and, on motion, the report was adopted.

On motion, Foreign Missions was made special order immediately on meeting after dinner.

Treasurer's report submitted and read, and, on motion, was referred to Committee on Finance.

Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President in the chair.

On motion, Conference recommended Rev. J. L. Foster, pastor of the Raleigh Christian Church, as worthy the aid of our northern brethren, and ask that the committee of the American Christian Convention on Home Missions pay him one hundred dollars.

On motion, $25.00 from any amount remaining in the treasury of Home Missions be appropriated to Burlington Christian Church on pastor's salary.

The subject for special order, Foreign Missions, was called, and the committee offered the following report:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We, your Committee on Foreign Missions, beg leave to report:

That work in Japan for the year 1890 has been marked with reasonable success, though not so much as in the year 1889. Our missionaries have had some difficulties to encounter during the year that have, no doubt, kept the work back, to-wit, the political upstir among the Japs.: the sickness of Bro. Rhodes and one of the native preachers; one of the native preachers became dissatisfied and left them; but perhaps the greatest drawback came from that terrible epidemic, cholera, which swept over Japan about two months since, and resulted in the death of between nine and ten thousand Japanese, and perhaps many of them had not received the bread of life.

Brother and Sister Jones, notwithstanding the above mentioned difficulties, seem to be in good spirits, and they are pushing their work. Sister Jones is, we think, doing a good work among the women and children. Brother Rhodes spends most of his time teaching. But the great question is, are we doing our whole duty in supporting this great enterprise, the object of which is to give the bread of life to these starving souls? We answer *no*, for the churches that compose this Conference are sufficiently able to support three missionaries, and yet we do not. But we are thankful to note that the collections this year show an increased interest among our people. We think that the little interest which we have manifested in the past is due to the fact,

First. That our people, as a whole, have not believed soundly in the foreign work.

Second. That we fear that some of our pastors have not informed their congregations upon the claims of this important enterprise as they might have done; hence, we do not believe that this want of interest was due to our poverty, for our people are, upon an average, equal in finance with others. If any man does not believe in foreign missions, and we fear we have many such among us, he cannot believe that He was the Son of God, or has any claim to their obedience who said, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature," Mark 16:15, and by this, their unbelief in Foreign Missions, they deny His divine authority. Therefore be it

Resolved, 1st, That we request our pastors to put forth special efforts to inform their congregations in reference to the divine authority of the command in Mark 16:15.

Resolved, 2d, That our pastors earnestly solicit our young people to take a more active part in raising funds for the foreign mission work by getting them to volunteer to raise the amount asked for by the Conference.

Resolved, 3d, That the pastors see that each of their Sunday-schools set apart one day during the year for the children's day to raise money for the said foreign mission work, that the children may have the benefit of an early mission training

Resolved, 4th, That we request the congregations of this Conference to unite in special prayer for the success of our missionaries in Japan.

Resolved, 5th, That we request and insist on the churches paying the following amounts, viz:

Antioch	$ 4
Apple's Chapel	15
Bethlehem	15
Christian Chapel	12
Catawba Springs	3
Damascus	12
Ebenezer	5
Good Hope	5
Hines' Chapel	7
Hank's Chapel	10
Hayes' Chapel	6
Howard's Chapel	5
Hebron (Va.)	6
Kallum's Grove	4
Liberty (V.)	7
Lebanon	6
Mt. Bethel	5
Moore Union	5
Martha's Chapel	7
Mt. Carmel	4
New Elam	10
New Providence	20
New Hill	2
New Hope	8
Keyser	7
Mt. Pleasant	2
Youngsville	8
Pleasant Grove (J.)	2
Grace's Chapel	3
Union Chapel (C.)	2
Auburn	5
Egypt	2
Long's Chapel	7
Walnut Grove	5
O'Kelley's Chapel	10
Oak Level	8
Pleasant Hill (C.)	6
Pleasant Grove (Va.)	20
Pleasant Union	3
Pleasant Hill (J)	3
Pope's Chapel	7
Pleasant Ridge	2
Poplar Branch	4
Raleigh	5
Shallow Well	8
Salem Chapel	5
Shallow Ford	5
Union (Va.)	7
Union (N. C.)	20
Wake Chapel	8
Zion	7
Bethany	3
Christian Light	2
Durham	5
Amelia	2
Liberty (R.)	4
Clover Orchard	2
Burlington	6
Plymouth	3
Turner's Chapel	3
Concord	3
Mt. Auburn	15
Winder	3
Happy Home	4
Centre Grove	2
Sage Garden	2
High Point	4

P. T. KLAPP,
W. S. LONG,
W. T. HERNDON.

The report was read by Rev. P. T. Klapp. Discussed by Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., and P. T. Klapp. Each of these brethren made strong and practical speeches.

On motion, the report was received.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We, your Committee on Religious Literature, submit the following:

At no time in the history of the world has the press been more powerful in awakening men to a sense of duty, than in this the latter half of the nineteenth century. It is the mighty factor in shaping the destiny of nations. In the political, social and industrial world, its power is felt and realized.

The same may be said of the religious world. It is the great vehicle for the conveyance of religious truth and Christian teaching. The time has come when, if we fail to secure the power of the press, we as a denomination neglect the only lever by which we may hope to raise ourselves to a respectable position in the Christian world.

We therefore recommend—

1. That our people give a liberal support to our denominational organ, the *Christian Sun*, and that our ministers and laymen make special effort to increase its subscription, by endeavoring to get a subscriber for the *Sun* in every family of the membership of the church. We also commend the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*, published at Dayton, Ohio, as worthy the patronage of our people.

2. We recommend, that our people read our literature in book and pamphlet form. The "Life of Wellons," "Facing the Truth," "Five Cardinal Principles Defined," "History of Missions," etc.

3. That those among us who may be competent be encouraged to prepare such other literature as may be productive of good.

4. That we think it would be to the interest of our Conference to appoint a Colporteur for the more extended circulation of our denominational literature, in connection with such other religious literature as it may approve.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. L. FOSTER,
C. A. BOONE,
E. T. ISELEY
D. R. YARBROUGH.

The report was discussed by Rev. R. A. Ricks, J. H. Moring and the editor of the "Christian Sun"

The chair presented the question of securing more subscribers,

and about 150 subscribers were pledged for, to be raised by February 1st, 1891.

Report adopted.

The Committee on Home Missions beg leave to submit the following:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

We recommend the appropriation of $15 to Rev. J. W. Hatch for preaching at Egypt the past year.

We recommend the appropriation of $20 to Rev. E. T. Iseley, for preaching at New Hill the past year.

We recommend the appropriation of $25 to Rev. N. B. Hunnicutt, for preaching at Pleasant Grove (J.) the past year.

We recommend the appropriation of $25 to Rev. S. B. Klapp, for preaching at Liberty (R.) the past year.

We recommend the appropriation of $100 to Rev. W. A. Roach, for preaching at High Point (N. C.) the ensuing year.

We recommend the appropriation of $25 to sustain the pastor of Certre Grove, the ensuing year.

We recommend the appropriation of $100 to the pastor of Raleigh Church, to be paid quarterly.

We recommend the appropration of $100 for preaching at Reidsville, N. C. provided the pastor in charge preaches not less than two Sundays in each month, the amount to be paid quarterly.

We recommend that the orders for payment of the amounts appropriated to Raleigh, Reidsville and Durham be countersigned by the chairman of the Committee on Home Missions before payment by the Treasurer.

We recommend that the chairman, or some member of this committee, visit during the ensuing year, Christian Light, New Hill, Pleasant Grove (J.) Spilona, Egypt, Clover Orchard and Amelia, and inquire diligently into the prospects of our cause at those points, that the committee may know how to recommend with reference to them in the future, and that whosoever makes these visits be properly renumerated from the Home Mission Fund.

We recommend the appropriation of $50 to the pastor of Burlington, to be paid quarterly, orders for the same to be countersigned by chairman of this committee.

We recommend the following assessments for Home Missions next year:

Antioch	$ 7 50	Mt. Auburn	30 00
Apple's Chapel	22 50	Mt. Bethel	5 00
Amelia	2 00	Mt. Carmel	6 00
Auburn	10 00	Mt. Hermon	6 00
Bethlehem	30 00	Mt. Zion	5 00
Beulah	5 00	Mt. Pleasant	3 00
Burlington	6 00	New Elam	15 00
Bethany	2 50	New Hope	10 00
Catawba Springs	15 00	New Hill	3 00
Christian Chapel	20 00	New Providence	30 00
Clover Orchard	3 00	Oak Level	20 00
Concord	7 50	O'Kelly's Chapel	15 00
Center Grove	5 00	Pleasant Grove (Va.)	30 00
Christian Light	2 00	Pleasant Hill (C.)	15 00
Damascus	20 00	Pleasant Union	7 50
Durham	5 00	Pleasant Hill (J.)	12 00
Ebenezer	7 50	Pleasant Ridge	7 50
Egypt	2 00	Pope's Chapel	22 50
Grace's Chapel	7 50	Poplar Branch	8 00
Good Hope	10 00	Plymouth	4 00
Hank's Chapel	15 00	Pleasant Grove (J.)	2 00
Happy Home	5 00	Raleigh	7 50
Haye's Chapel	5 00	Spilona	3 00
Hebron	10 00	Salem Chapel	15 00
Hines' Chapel	15 00	Shallow Well	20 00
Howard's Chapel	7 50	Shallow Ford	9 00
High Point	4 00	Turner's Chapel	5 00
Kallum Grove	5 00	Union (Va.)	15 00
Keyser	7 50	Union [N. C.)	35 00
Lebanon	10 00	Wake Chapel	15 00
Liberty (V.)	7 50	Walnut Grove	4 00
Liberty (R.)	4 00	Winder	5 00
Long's Chapel	12 50	Youngsville	7 00
Marth's Chapel	10 00	Zion	10 00
Moore Union	10 00	Sage Garden	3 00
Morrisville	10 00	Big Falls	1 00

J. W. HOLT,
S. B. KLAPP,
J. D. WICKER,
T. W. STROUD.

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The above report was discussed by W. S. Long and W. T. Herndon, and during the discussion a collection was taken amounting to $17.21.

Report was adopted.

The report of special committee was made special order to-night at 7:30 o'clock.

On motion, Conference considered the motion by which special order was made for to-night for 7:30 o'clock, and made special order for to-morrow 10:30 A. M.

Prayer by Dr. Barrett.

Adjourned.

FOURTH DAY.

President in the chair.

Devotional exercises by Rev. J. W. Wellons.

Roll called, minutes read, corrected and approved.

On motion, Conference voted Rev. J. W. Hatch $25.00, so as to comply with appropriations of last year for services at Christian Light.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee appointed to investigate all matters referred to us in paper No. A of this Conference, beg leave to report:

1st. That we have had Rev. J. W. Holt and the Executive Committee before us, and after examination of the facts at hand, find that the action of the Executive Committee in June, 1889, relating to Rev. J. W. Holt, was illegal, and that the charge against him was not sustained, and that Conference in session at Hanks' Chapel in 1889 withdrew the charge just before its final adjournment.

2d. We find that there was an objection by the Committee appointed to recommend Elders to Conference for election to the General Convention, against Rev. J. W. Holt's name being presented before the Conference as a delegate to said Convention, because he was under censure; and that this objection was raised before the Executive Committee made their report to said Conference showing that he, Rev. J. W. Holt, was under a charge; thereby Rev. J. W. Holt received an injustice from said recommending committee.

3d. There is no evidence before us to warrant Rev. J. W. Holt in predicting that he would not be elected to the General Convention, and in this prediction we think he reflected upon this Conference.

4th. We find that after the Executive Committee had made their report, showing that Rev. J. W. Holt was under charge, that he was elected to deliver the Annual Address at this Conference, and on the same day we find that he was elected Fraternal Messenger to the Georgia and Alabama Conference, thereby showing that the Conference did not regard him ineligible to perform any ministerial duties.

5th. That on the eve of adjournment a special commitee was appointed, to whom the matter of Rev. J. W. Holt was referred, reported, recommending that the charge against Rev. J. W. Holt be withdrawn, which was unanimously adopted.

6th. We find that the delay of the report of the Executive Committee, in our opinion unnecessary, and the action of the Conference in delaying the appointment of the Special Committee till the last evening of the session, to which the matter of Rev. J. W. Holt was finally referred, was also unnecessary, unjust and hurtful.

7th. It is the opinion of your Committee, from the evidence before them, that Conference complied with the request of the churches of Happy Home and Bethlehem to the best of their ability, and in this matter we have reached a point beyond which we cannot proceed for want of evidence which we cannot obtain.

8th. We think that Rev. J. W. Holt's allusions to our publications and educational interests were untimely and groundless.

9th. We think that in each case wherein the Conference or Committees have in any way treated Rev. J. W. Holt with injustice, an acknowledgment should be made, and that in each case wherein Rev. J. W. Holt has in any way cast reflections on this body now in session, by his late Annual Address, that he apologize to said body.

SOL. APPLE,
P. H. FLEMING,
T. J. HASKINS,
J. D. WICKER,
W. G. LASATER.

Discussed by several brethren. Moved to adopt as a whole. Amended, to consider by sections. Amendment lost.

The following resolution was adopted:

Moved that the Secretary draw orders on the Treasurer for the amounts appropriated from the Home Missions fund, with the exception of the amounts to Reidsville, Burlington, Durham and Raleigh, and to draw orders for these points in accordance with the tenor of the report of the Committee on Home Missions.

Revs. W. S. Long and J. W. Wellons were excused from voting. By request a standing vote was taken.

The report was adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

We, your Committee on Sunday-schools, respectfully report—

That the Sabbath-school work is in a more prosperous condition than last year.

We find reported last year forty-seven schools, with a total attendance of two thousand. We find an increase of eight sohools this year. We also find that fourteen churches have no schools; we also find that the members have increased to three thousand three hundred and eighty one.

1. We recommend that our churches pay even more attention to this all important enterprise.
2. That each church organize and continue through the entire year, a Sunday-school.
3. That our pastors give more attention to the work of the schools in their fields.
4. That our middle-aged and old people take more interest in the Sunday-school work.
5. That all the Sunday-schools use the music books recommended by the committee of the Sunday-school Convention.
6. That each school have one session of vocal music taught them during the year.
7. *Resolved*, That each school use our own literature.

J. H. MORING,
J. W. FONVILLE,
W. A. ELLINGTON,
P. T. WAY.

After discussion, the report was adopted.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Conference be instructed to write letters of Christian sympathy and fraternal love to Revs. A. G. Anderson L. C. Madison and J. N. Ferrall.

W. S. LONG.

On motion, a collection was taken for Bro. Dawson, amounting to $11.33.

Revs. W. S Long and J. W. Wellons made a report as Commissioners to the American Christian Convention. And after a full statement of the terms and conditions of the Union of the Church North and South, the Conference endorsed the action of the Commissioners.

Discussed by Revs. Dr. Long, J. W. Wellons and J. P. Barrett, and the report was adopted.

Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by President Herndon.

The chair appointed the following standing committees:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Education—Revs. W. S. Long, J. W. Wellons, P. T. Klapp.
Home Missions—Revs. W. G. Clements, J. D. Wicker, S. B. Klapp, Bros. W. G. Lasater, T. J. Haskins.
Foreign Missions—Revs. P. T. Klapp, W. S. Long, Bro. E. T. Pierce.
Religious Literature—Revs. J. L. Foster, P. H. Fleming, C. A. Boon, E. T. Iseley, Hon. W. N. Pritchard.

Church Extension—Revs. P. H. Fleming, G. R. Underwood, W. A. Roach, Dr. G. S. Watson.

Temperance—Revs. J. W. Holt, A. F. Iseley, J. A. Jones, Dr. D. H. Albright, Bros. I. W. Pritchard, H. C. King.

Executive—Revs. W. G. Clements, P. H. Fleming and J. L. Foster.

Sunday school—Rev. J. W. Patton, Prof. J. H. Moring, Revs. P. T. Way, J. W. Fonville.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That it is the sense of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference that the requisites for licensure in our Government, Sec. III, Art. IV, and those for ordination, Sec. V, Art. III, are not adapted to the advancement of this age, and that we petition the Convention of the Christian Church South to take this matter into consideration at its next quadrennial session.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to report—

That we have examined the books and accounts of Rev. J. W. Hatch, Treasurer of this Conference, and find them correct, with proper vouchers for money paid out, and notes in hand for amount placed to his credit.

We find from the report of the Committee on Finance that the Executive Committee was requested by last Conference to report the amount due from the Susan Phillips estate, which has not been done yet.

We would recommend that the Treasurer report to this Conference the amount collected before the Conference adjourns, if possible, for him to do so.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. HARDEN,
T. J. HASKINS,

The report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH EXTENSION.

We, your Committee on Church Extension, report—

We find a number of Church buildings in an unfinished condition. We recommend that $25 be appropriated to Pleasant Grove to help them complete their church building. We recommend that $20 be appropriated to Christian Light, for completing their church building.

We recommend that $15 be appropriated to Mt. Pleasant to help in the completion of their church

We recommend that $10 each, be paid Bethany, Beulah and Centre Grove, to aid them in church building also.

We recommend further, that the churches raise five cents per member for this fund the ensuing year.

G. R. UNDERWOOD,
W. H. ROACH.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We have during the year attended to the following business:

1st. March 12th, 1890, ordered the Treasurer to pay account of Secretary J. L. Foster, $5.25, for envelopes, paper and postage.

September 25th, 1890, ordered the Treasurer to pay account of Secretary J. L. Foster, $2.75, for postage.

2d. We have received Rev. P. H. Fleming, of the Virginia Valley Christian Conference, into this body.

3d. The Executive Committee, in accordance to the recommendations of the Finance Committee of last Conference, find that $441.00 of the Mrs. Susan F. Philips Fund (being the amount due Conference, less the Treasurer's commission of $8.82) was deposited with the Treasurer of the Building Committee of the Raleigh Christian Church in the year 1885 by Hon. John M. Moring. Inasmuch as the Treasurer has received no interest on any other funds, and inasmuch as the church is much pressed to support its pastor, we recommend that the church be relieved of the interest of said fund for the present.

W. G. CLEMENTS,
J. L. FOSTER.

The report was adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Education submits this additional report:

We have examined Bro. L. W. Mangum, a licentiate of this body, who came recommended for ordination by a church where he has been preaching. We deem it best for him to prepare himself better before he is thus set apart by the church. He has agreed to take a course in the Correspondence College.

Bro. J. W. Fonville came before us for consultation, and we have advised him to take the same course in the Correspondence College.

W. C. Wicker, D. M. Williams and C. H. Rowland have passed a satisfactory examination for licensure, and are recommended thus to Conference.

STATISTICAL TABLE of the NORTH CAROLINA and VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE.

Sixty-Fifth Annual Session—November, 1890.

CHURCH DIRECTORY.			CHURCH STATISTICS.								S. S. STATISTICS.						FINANCIAL STATISTICS.									
CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	SECRETARIES AND POST-OFFICES.	No. reported last Session.	Received Since.	Dis. by Letter.	Suspended.	Withdrawn.	Died.	Expelled.	Pres. Mem'ship.	No. of S. Schools.	No. Bible Classes.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Pupils.	No. Volumes in Library.	Total Connected with S. School.	Amount paid Pastors.	For Schools.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	To Educate Young Preachers.	Church Extens'n.	Contingent Fund.	For Other Purposes.	Total Amount Collected.	Value of Church Property.
[illegible]	J. W. Hatch	J. D. Oldham, Goldston, N. C.	72	6	2			1		75	1	3	8	65		73	$ 32 25	$	$ 2 83	$ 2 83	$ ..	$ ...	$ 75	$ 2 30	$ 10 96	$ 700 00
[illegible] Chapel	A. F. Iseley	Z. Chrisman, Liberty Store, N. C.	192	21	4	1		1		207	1	3	11	72		87	75 00		13 00	3 40	2 30		1 00	7 30	102 00	1200 00
[illegible]	J. P. Barrett	Wm. Watts, Auburn, N. C.	32	5			1			36	1	1	6				75 00		10 00	3 00	1 50	1 60	32		91 42	800 00
[illegible]	D. R. Yarborough	J. E. Austen, Clayton, N. C.	14							14									1 00	25	25		15		1 65	150 00
Big Falls	P. H. Fleming	J. B. Farrell, Big Falls, N. C.		15						15	1	1	6	54		160			1 00					19 25	20 25	
[illegible]	J. W. Holt	W. A. Hall, Burlington, N. C.	303	7	2			2		309	1	1	10	71		83	125 00		40 00	12 00	2 84	12 00	3 00	40 77	235 61	1500 00
[illegible]	S. B. Klapp	J. W. Pulley, Hartsville, N. C.	74	5	2	1	2		12	62							36 88		2 17	2 00	74	62	50	135 00	177 91	
Burlington	W. T. Walker	W. K. Holt, Burlington, N. C.	31	19						50							100 00		9 00	5 00					111 00	50 00
[illegible]	E. T. Iseley	P. A. Crabtree, Blackwood, N. C.	17		1		14		1	31	1	1	6	75		82	32 31		2 50	3 00		24	39		38 40	1000 00
[illegible] Springs	W. G. Clements	T. M. Franks, Raleigh, N. C.	87	1		9	2	1		76	1	2	7	55	35	42	105 00	33 00	20 00	5 00	3 00	4 35	76	13 50	184 61	700 00
Christian Chapel	J. A. Jones	L. S. Mann, Goff, N. C.	188	20	1	20	2	5		180	1	3	9	57	30	69	75 00		5 00	5 00			1 00	10 00	96 00	500 00
[illegible]			51																							
[illegible] Grove	C. A. Boon	T. J. Bland, Tysor's Mills, N. C.	33	7						40	1	4	5	55		60	33 00		5 00	1 00	25		33	28 85	68 43	700 00
[illegible] Light	G. R. Underwood	J. R. Brown, May, Harnett Co., N. C.	25	12				1	1	35	1	2	6	60		66	75 00		65	1 00			38	45 00	122 55	300 00
[illegible] Orchard.																										
Damascus	W. G. Clements	M. A. McCauley, Chapel Hill, N. C.	115	1	5			2	1	108	1		6	65		71	125 00		25 00	8 00	1 00	5 35	1 07	15 00	183 42	
[illegible]	W. T. Herndon	J. McLennon, Durham, N. C.	30	20					1	49	1	1	5	60		65	117 00		2 00	4 26	2 00		1 60		126 86	1700 00
Ebenezer	T. W. Stroud	J. N. Carperter, Raleigh, N. C.	80	14				1	13	80	1	1	9	82	13	91	58 50		10 00	4 00	2 00	4 00	80	10 00	89 30	300 00
[illegible] Chapel	G. R. Underwood	J. N. Johnson, Sanford, N. C.	83	1			1		3	79	1	1	6	70		77	51 80		1 05	1 00			25	25 00	81 10	1000 00
[illegible] Hope	J. W. Wellons	Carrie Lyman, Pocomoke, N. C.	67	6	3			1		66	1	2	5	40		47	75 00		1 50	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	5 00	90 50	
Hank's Chapel	C. A. Boon	W. H. Hatch, Pittsboro, N. C.	182	3	3	63		1		118	1	3	5	60		68	60 00		18 90	7 56	4 91		1 18	10 00	102 55	300 00
[illegible] Home			65																							
[illegible] Chapel	D. R. Yarborough	S. M. Smtth, Auburn, N. C.	139	1	7	39		2		92	1	1	6	30	75	37	52 00	8 00	8 09	90			82	40 00	109 81	1000 00
[illegible]	E. T. Iseley	E. G. Forline, Overland, Va.	78	2				1	1	78	1	2	4	24		30	80 00		8 00	2 41			79		91 20	800 00
[illegible] Chapel	J. W. Patton	W. A. Heath, Greensboro, N. C.	176	6				5		177	1	2	6	45	53		88 00			1 66				56 50	147 16	850 00
[illegible]'s Chapel	J. A. Witeman	Wm. Johnson, Wentworth, N. C.	80	5		16		1		68							50 00								50 00	500 00
High Point	W. H. Roach	C. P. Davis, High Point, N. C.	28	17					1	44									5 00	2 00	1 00	2 05	28	326 10	336 43	1500 00
[illegible]	P. T. Klapp	J. A. Mills, Keyser, N. C.	11	8						22	1	2	7	60	100	67	117 25		10 00	11 51	3 02	1 50	21	1000 00	1173 49	1100 00
[illegible] Grove	J. A. Witeman	D. F. Williams, Bason, N. C.	75							75							50 00								50 00	
[illegible]	J. W. Patton	Dora Covington, Semora, N. C.	125		1			1		121	1	3	10	75		88	100 00		5 31	4 10					109 41	2000 00
[illegible]	J. W. Wellons	W. A. Cunningham, Epsom, N. C.	111	3			2	1	5	109	1	2	6	60		66	100 00		10 00	4 00	3 50	2 10	1 05	5 00	125 65	1000 00
[illegible]	S. B. Klapp	O. T. Hatch, Liberty, N. C.	42		2		1			39	1	2	6	60		68	58 18		5 00	3 00	1 50	1 30	26	10 00	79 28	1000 00
[illegible] Chapel	W. T. Herndon	W. J. Fitch, McCray's, N. C.	101	7				2	2	104	1	1	5	57		63	150 00		15 00	3 00	3 00		1 02	28 00	200 02	1000 00
Mt. [illegible]	R. A. Ricks	S. P. Read, Palmer Springs, Va.	179	4	7	13		10		153	1		15	70		85	150 00		31 00	10 00	10 00	3 00	3 00	20 00	227 00	
Mt. [illegible]	J. A. Witeman	J. M. Sharp, Bason, N. C.	67	2						69	1	2	4	40	2	46	18 00						70		18 70	600 00
Mt. [illegible]	J. W. Wellons	W. J. Wilson, Wilton, N. C.	39	3			6	1		35	1	2	10	86	50	96	31 00		3 00	1 00	75	60	25	11 00	47 60	500 00
Mt. Hermon	J. A. Jones	J. L. Banks, Penny, N. C.	29	19	2					46	1	3	5	4		12	35 00		2 75	1 35			50		39 50	600 00
Mt. [illegible]	J. W. Holt	Mrs. W. A. Bradley, Pleasant Grove, N. C.	59	2			1	1		59	1	2	5	25	75	30	41 47		2 00	1 00	1 00	71			46 18	600 00
Mt. Pleasant	G. R. Underwood	J. A. McLauchlin, Winder, N. C.	39	2		13	1		1	26							50 00		1 00	1 00	1 00		26	28 15	81 41	500 00
[illegible] Chapel	J. D. Wicker	W. C. Wilson, Rialto, N. C.	58	4				1		61	1	4	6	35	60	45	75 00		9 00	4 00		2 50			90 50	1000 00
[illegible]	C. A. Boon	N. A. Matthews, Broadway, N. C.	68	4				3		69	1	4	7	65		72	50 35		4 80	3 00					58 15	400 00
[illegible]	W. G. Clements	J. H. Moring, Morrisville, N. C.	49	2			1	1		49	1	1	5	30	100	36	70 00	100 00	12 00	4 00	2 00	1 00	1 00		190 00	500 00
[illegible]	P. T. Klapp	W. G. Lasater, Merry Oaks, N. C.	163	19	1		3	2	1	175	1	2	12	80	100	94	100 00		20 00	5 00	5 00	6 25	1 25	25 00	162 50	500 00
[illegible] Hope	S. B. Klapp	Cora B. Chamblee, Riley's X Roads, N. C.	132	2	2		3	2	2	125	1	4	5	65		74	51 00		5 29	78	11	50	1 04		58 72	500 00
[illegible] Hill	E. T. Iseley	L. B. Seagraves, New Hill, N. C.	21		1					20							40 00		4 00	1 00		20			45 20	500 00
[illegible] Providence	P. H. Fleming	J. E. Long, Graham, N. C.	186	17	5			1		207	1	3	9	106	115	118	388 50		50 00	15 00	10 00	9 00	1 80	162 24	636 04	3000 00
[illegible]'s Chapel	J. D. Wicker	C. S. Holleman, Williams' Mill, N. C.	97	1				2		96	1	3	10	62	100	73	100 00		16 95	8 00			05		125 00	400 00
[illegible] Grove, Va.	P. T. Klapp	D. S. Farmer, New's Ferry, Va.	187	17	1		1	2		200	1	4	11	88		99	260 00	75 00	40 93	16 00	6 00	9 35	2 00	150 00	559 28	3000 00
[illegible] Hill C.	A. F. Iseley	Z. H. Cotner, Mud Lick, N. C.	161	6	3	23		4	3	137	1	2	9	60	117	71	55 00		6 00	3 00	2 00	3 07	1 00	13 30	83 37	1000 00
[illegible] Union	J. W. Hatch	W. J. Long, Bowies' Creek, N. C.	91	5		45	2	1		51	1	1	4	40		44	46 32		1 35	1 23			53		49 43	400 00
[illegible] Hill J.	L. W. Mangum	R. I. Austin, Elevation, N. C.	90	1	2			2	1	86							32 50		75				90	1 10	35 25	500 00
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[illegible] Chapel	J. W. Wellons	A. L. Allen, Franklinton, N. C.	163	5	1		2	1		164	1	4	7	30		37	125 00		9 30	3 00	1 50	1 60	1 00	10 00	151 40	1000 00
[illegible] Branch	P. T. Way	J. Parish, Jonesboro, N. C.	33	5	3					35																
[illegible]	J. A. Jones	J. M. Banks, Gulley's Mills, N. C.	58	22			1		1	78	2	2	7	57	6	62	50 00		5 00	2 00	1 00	2 90	58	45 00	106 48	600 00
[illegible] Grove J.	N. B. Honeycutt	Edwin S. Coats, Pratt, N. C.	19			2				17									2 00	1 00	1 00	85	17		5 00	650 00
[illegible]	J. A. Whiteman	James Nance, Wentworth, N. C.	10	16						20	1	1	5	40		45	12 00						20		12 20	
[illegible]	J. L. Foster	J. D. Edwards, Raleigh, N. C.	30	3	1				3	29	1	2	5	29		34	425 96		10 00	3 00	2 00	1 50	30	123 87	566 63	7000 00
[illegible]	J. A. Jones	R. I. Lassiter, Spilona, N. C.	29	4		1			1	31							41 50		1 46	73			31	400 00	445 00	500 00
[illegible] Ford.	A. F. Iseley	Katie L. Cobb, Elon College, N. C.	131			1	2	4		124							54 00	101 00	10 00	3 00		3 75	50	20 00	192 25	1200 00
[illegible] Well.	G. R. Underwood	M. H. Hawley, Jonesboro, N. C.	105		1		1	2	2	69	1	4	7	50		57	100 00			8 15			95	10 00	119 46	1000 00
[illegible] Chapel	W. T. Walker	I. D. Dalton, Salem Chapel.		1	1	9	4	3	8	125	1	5		90		95	87 25	6 50	2 52				1 25		97 57	700 00
[illegible]	W. H. Roach	J. A. Holder, Kernersville, N. C.	26				2	1		23							23 75		3 00	1 00	1 00	20	26	2 75	31 96	500 00
[illegible] Chapel	C. A. Boon	A. W. Wicker, Osgood, N. C.	44	1		4	1			40	1	2	9	30	12	39	50 00		6 00	2 00			46		58 46	500 00
[illegible]	S. B. Klapp	J. W. Winfree	146	30				1	3	172	1	2	4	50	30	54	92 00		20 00	6 00	1 30	3 00	1 75	25 00	149 05	1000 00
[illegible]	W. T. Herndon	J. D. Wilkins, Union Ridge, N. C.	304	21	7			3	3	312	1	2	7	45		52	150 00		42 00	12 00			3 00		207 00	800 00
[illegible] Chapel	W. G. Clements	J. E. Ballentine, Varina, N. C.	126	34				1	3	156	1	3	5				83 15		20 00	6 00	4 50	6 30	1 26	150 50	271 71	500 00
[illegible] Grove	J. W. Wellons	A. T. Grissom, Grissom, N. C.	36	1				1		36							60 00		5 00	4 62	1 00		34	5 00	71 96	300 00
[illegible]	G. R. Underwood	M. E. Wade, Winder, N. C.	48	7	5	11		1		38	1	2	6	59		65	53 70		68	1 50			37	16 71	72 96	500 00
[illegible]	P. T. Klapp	W. K. Martin, Franklinton, N. C.	40	11				[illegible]	2	49	1	2	8	80	50	88	76 00		8 00	12 85	1 50	2 30	48	10 00	111 13	1500 00
[illegible]	J. D. Wicker	W. A. Wicker, Osgood, N. C.	203	14		47		[illegible]		176	1	3	7	65	35	72	100 00		5 70	4 25			63	15 00	125 58	2000 00
[illegible]	J. W. Hatch	W. M. Gunter, Egypt, N. C.	46	1	2		3			12	1	2	7	40		47	11 20		46	23			30		12 19	
[illegible]	J. D. Wicker	A. L. Bridges, Youngsville, N. C.	118	5	1		1	3		118	1	1	11	134	150	145	126 00		25 00	8 00	50		1 00	25 00	185 50	800 00

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TREASURER'S REPORT.

J. W. HATCH, *Treasurer, in account with*
North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference.

HOME MISSION FUND.

			Cr.	Dr.
1890. Nov.	18.	To balance on hand at last report		$ 90 02
1889. Nov.	18.	Collected at Conference		288 79
Nov.	22.	By commission on collections to Conference	$ 4 33	
Nov.	22.	By cash paid W. T. Herndon, order No. 9	37 50	
Nov.	22.	" " " " " " " 10	50 00	
1890. Mar.	8.	By cash paid W. T. Herndon, order No. 18	31 25	
May	13.	" " " " " " " 21	31 25	
Aug.	25.	" " " " " " " 23	31 25	
1889. Nov.	22.	By cash paid J. W. Hatch order No. 14	25 00	
Nov.	22.	" " W. H. Roach, order No. 11	125 00	
Nov.	22.	" " G. R. Underwood, order No. 15	10 00	
1890. June	21.	By cash paid G. R. Underwood, order No. 22	25 00	
Mar.	8.	" " J. W. Holt, order No. 19	25 00	
		By commissions on $391 @ 1½ per cent	5 87	
		To balance due me		22 64
			$401 45	$401 45

FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

1889. Nov.	16.	To balance on hand at last report		$ 1 32
Nov.	16.	To collections at Conference		231 78
Nov.	16.	By commissions on $230.78 @ 1½ per cent	$ 3 46	
Dec.	14.	By cash paid P. T. Klapp, order No. 16	220 00	
Dec.	14.	By commissions on $280.00 @ 1½ per cent	3 30	
		By balance on hand	6 34	
			$233 10	$233 10

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

1889. Nov.	19.	To balance on hand at last report		174 49
Nov.	19.	To amount received at Conference		23 90
Nov.	16.	By commissions on $23.90 @ 1½ per cent	$ 36	
1890. Jan.	13.	By one note on James F. Pleasants for	34 00	
Jan.	13.	By one note on D. M. Williams for	34 00	
May	23.	By one note on James F. Pleasants for	57 25	
May	23.	By one note on D. M. Williams for	49 75	
May	23.	By commissions on above notes $175	2 62	
1890. Nov.	18.	By balance	20 41	
			$198 39	$198 39

CHURCH EXTENSION FUND.

1889. Nov.	16.	To balance on hand Nov. 1889, as reported		20 83
Nov.	16.	To collections at Conference		18 05
Nov.	15.	By commissions on $18.06 @ 1½ per cent	$ 27	
Nov.	22.	By cash paid C. R. Davis, on order No. 12	15 00	
Nov.	22.	" " C. C. Williams, on order No. 13	15 00	
Nov.	22.	By commissions on $30 @ 1½ per cent	45	
		By balance	8 16	
			$ 38 88	$ 38 88

CONTINGENT FUND.

1889. Nov.	19.	To balance on hand Nov. 1889		$ 89 99
Nov.	19.	To collection at Conference		34 62
Nov.	19.	By commissions on $34.62 @ 1½ per cent	$ 52	
Nov.	21.	By cash paid M. L. Winston, on order No. 7	6 50	
Nov.	21.	" " Jsme. L. Foster, on order No. 8	1 00	
1890 Jan.	13.	By cash paid James L. Foster, on order No. 17	10 00	
Mar.	12.	" " " " " " " " 20	5 25	
Sept.	25.	" " " " " " " " 24	2 75	
Oct.	7.	" " by order Ex. Com., to J. W. Wellons	4 80	
Oct.	7.	By commissions on $30.30 @ 1½ per cent	45	
		By balance	93 34	
			$124 61	$124 61

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. HATCH,
Treasurer N. C. and Va. Christian Conference.

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ALFRED MORING.

DEACON ALFRED MORING was born February 25, 1814. His father's name was John, and his mother's Elizabeth. He professed faith in Christ in early life and connected himself with the Christian Church at O'Kelley's Chapel, Chatham county, N. C. Possibly no member of the Christian Church has more friends in the North Carolina and Virginia Conference than brother Moring.

A MORNING ACT OF FAITH.

I believe in the name of the Son of God.

Therefore, I am in Him, having redemption through His blood, and life by His Spirit.

And He is in me, and all fullness is in Him.

To Him I belong, by purchase, conquest and self-surrender.

To me He belongs, for all my hourly need.

There is no cloud between my Lord and me.

There is no difficulty, inward or outward, which He is not ready to meet in me to-day.

The Lord is my keeper. Amen!

TIME.

The calculations of this Almanac are made in mean solar or clock time, which is indicated by a well regulated clock or watch, and does not correspond with the sun precisely, except on four days of the year.

Apparent time is that which makes the Sun come to the meridian at 12 o'clock. No good clock will run with the Sun ; if set with the Sun on the 2d of January, the clock will seem to be one minute too fast on the 3d of January.

To adopt the calculations of this Almanac to apparent time, use the minutes in the column marked "Sun slow" or "Sun fast;" add them when fast, subtract them when slow.

The calculations are made for the Latitude and Longitude of Raleigh, N. C., but the times, phases, &c., will vary only a few minutes for any part of North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee or Virginia.

RISING AND SETTING OF THE SUN.

The Almanacs generally used have made the rising and setting of the Sun together equal twelve hours. This is incorrect. During some portions of the year the Sun changes so rapidly in Right Ascension and Declination that it makes a material change in the Diurnal Arc during the day. The times here given have been rigorously calculated and compared with the authority, and are true to the nearest whole minute.

TWELVE SIGNS OF THE ZODIAC.

The Head and Face sign. ♈ Aries the Ram.....Ar.

♊ Arms.
Gemini .... Gem.
Twins.

♋ Heart.
Leo.....Lion.
Lion.

♎ Reins.
Libra.....Lib.
Balance.

♐ Thighs.
Sagittarius..Sag.
Bowman.

♑ Legs.
Aquarius....Aq.
Waterman.

♉ Neck.
Taurus ....Tau.
Bull.

♋ Breast.
Cancer .....Can.
Crab.

♍ Bowels.
Virgo.....Vir.
Virgin.

♏ Loins.
Scorpio....Scorp.
Scorpion.

♑ Knees.
Capricornus..Cap
Goat.

The)(*Pisces* the Fishes.....Pisc,

To know where the sign is, find the day of the month, and against the day in the column marked Moon's Signs you have the sign or place of the Moon, and then find the sign; it will give you the part of the body it is supposed to govern.

SIGNS.

Spring Signs.	Aries, or Ram.
	Taurus, or Bull.
	Gemini, or Twins.
Summer Signs.	Cancer, or Crab-fish.
	Leo, or Lion.
	Virgo, or Virgin.
Autumn Signs.	Libra, or Balance.
	Scorpio, or Scorpion.
	Sagittarius, or Bowman
Winter Signs.	Capricornus, or Goat.
	Aquarius, or Waterman
	Pisces, or Fishes.

SIGNS OF THE PLANETS.

☀ Sun.	☽ Moon.	♀ Venus.	♂ Mars.
♃ Jupiter.	♄ Saturn.	☌ In conjunction.	□ Quadrature.
☿ Mercury.	♅ Uranus.	♆ Neptune.	☊ Ascending Node.

MOON'S PHASES.

● New Moon. ☽ First Quarter. ○ Full Moon. ☾ Last Quarter.

1st Month. ***JANUARY, 1892.*** ***31 Days.***

Moon's Phases.

	D.	H.	M.			D.	H.	M.	
First Quarter,	6	8	4	p. m.	Last Quarter	21	10	34	p. m.
Full Moon,	13	10	18	p. m.	New Moon,	29	11	30	a. m.

Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Sun slow.	Sun's decline south.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS MATTER.	Moon's place.	Moon rises or sets.	Moon south.	Tides at Southport.
1	Fri	7 10	4 58	4	23 1	☌ ☿ ☽. NEW YEAR'S DAY.	♋	sets E	eve	eve
2	Sat	7 10	5 0	5	22 56	Gen. Wolfe born 1727.	♋	8 45	2 33	9 52
First Sunday.								Day's length 9 hours 51 minutes.		
3	C.	7 10	5 1	5	22 58	Cicero born B. C. 106.	♐	9 39	3 27	10 46
4	Mon	7 10	5 1	5	22 44	☌ ♃ ☽. Arnold inv. Va. 1781	♐	10 31	4 19	11 38
5	Tue	7 10	5 2	6	22 37	Richmond bom. 1781.	♐	11 20	5 8	morn
6	We	7 10	5 3	6	22 30		♑	sets M	5 57	0 27
7	Thu	7 09	5 4	7	22 23	Pres. Fillmore born 1800.	♑	0 9	6 45	1 16
8	Fri	7 09	5 5	7	22 15	♀ Stationary.	♑	0 57	7 35	2 4
9	Sat	7 09	5 6	8	22 7	Napoleon 3d died 1873.	♑	1 47	8 28	2 54
Second Sunday.								Day's length 9 hours 57 minutes.		
10	C.	7 09	5 6	8	21 58	☌ ☊ ☽ ♄ Stationary.	♒	2 40	9 24	3 47
11	Mon	7 09	5 7	8	21 49	Alex. Hamilton b. 1757.	♒	3 36	10 22	4 43
12	Tue	7 09	5 8	9	21 39	Vicksburg fortified 1861.	♒	4 34	11 20	5 41
13	We	7 09	5 9	9	21 29	Gen. Taylor Mex. '46.	♓	5 32	morn	6 39
14	Thu	7 09	5 10	10	21 19	Com. Maury b. 1806.	♓	ris. E	0 17	7 36
15	Fri	7 09	5 11	10	21 8	Andrew Jackson b. 1767.	♓	8 24	1 11	8 30
16	Sat	7 09	5 12	10	20 57	Gibbon died 1794.	♓	9 17	2 0	9 19
Third Sunday.								Day's length 10 hours 5 minutes.		
17	C.	7 08	5 13	11	20 44	Dr. Franklin born 1706.	♈	9 58	2 46	10 5
18	Mon	7 08	5 14	11	20 33	Bulwer Lytton died 1873.	♈	10 37	3 29	10 48
19	Tue	7 08	5 15	11	20 21	☌ ♄ ☽. Gen. Lee b. 1807.	♉	11 17	4 10	11 29
20	We	7 08	5 15	11	20 8	John Howard d. 1790	♉	11 58	4 49	eve
21	Thu	7 07	5 16	12	19 55	Fremont born 1813.	♉	ris. M	5 29	0 47
22	Fri	7 07	5 17	12	19 41	☌ ♂ ☽. F. Bacon born 1561	♊	0 41	6 10	1 29
23	Sat	7 06	5 18	12	19 27	Wm. Gaston died 1844.	♊	1 28	6 53	2 12
Fourth Sunday.								Day's length 10 hours 13 minutes.		
24	C.	7 06	5 19	12	19 13	Pres. Johnson imp. 1868.	♋	2 18	7 39	2 59
25	Mon	7 05	5 20	13	18 58	Robt Burns born 1749.	♋	3 12	8 30	3 49
26	Tue	7 04	5 21	13	18 43	Battle of Newbern 1864.	♋	4 10	9 24	4 43
27	We	7 03	5 22	13	18 28	Panama R. R. comp. 1855	♋	5 10	10 22	5 41
28	Thu	7 02	5 23	13	18 12	☿ in ♍.	♌	sets E	11 22	6 31
29	Fri	7 02	5 24	13	17 56		♌	6 33	eve	7 40
30	Sat	7 02	5 25	14	17 40	Charles 1st behead'd 1649.	♌	7 30	1 18	8 37
Fifth Sunday.								Day's length 10 hours 24 minutes.		
31	C.	7 02	5 26	14	17 23	Park Row burned 1882.	♐	8 24	2 12	9 31

WEATHER CONJECTURES—JANUARY.—1, 2, 3, 4, 5, fair and frosty; 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, rain or snow, if wind S. or S. W.; 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, fair and frosty; 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, fair and frosty; 29, 30, 31, cold high wind.

2d Month. **FEBRUARY, 1892.** **29 Days.**

Moon's Phases.

	D.	H.	M.		D.	H.	M.
First Quarter,	5	4	30 a. m.	Last Quarter,	20	7	6 p. m.
Full Moon,	12	2	30 p. m.	New Moon,	27	10	39 p. m.

Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Sun slow.	Sun's decline south.	ASPECT OF PLANETS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS MATTER.	Moon's place.	Moon rises or sets.	Moon south.	Tides at Southport.
1	Mon	7 1	5 27	14	17 6	☌♃☾. Texas seceded '61	♐	9 14	3 2	10 21
2	Tue	7 1	5 28	14	16 49	Bombs invented 1491.	♑	10 5	3 53	11 12
3	We	7 0	5 29	14	16 31	Att. on F't Donaldson '63	♑	11 54	4 42	morn
4	Thu	6 59	5 30	14	16 14	☽ Galvani died 1770.	♒	11 45	5 33	0 1
5	Fri	6 58	5 31	14	15 56	Carlyle died 1881.	♒	s'ts M	6 25	0 52
6	Sat	6 58	5 32	14	15 37	☌♀♃. Aaron Burr b. 1756.	♓	0 37	7 19	1 44
First Sunday.								Day's length 10 hours 36 minutes.		
7	*C.*	6 57	5 33	14	15 19	☿ in Aphelion.	♓	1 31	8 15	2 38
8	Mon	6 56	5 34	14	14 8	Southern Conf. form'd '61.	♈	2 27	9 12	3 21
9	Tue	6 55	5 35	14	14 41	♁ sta. Bish. Waugh d. '58	♈	3 24	10 9	4 31
10	We	6 54	5 36	14	14 21	Canada ceded 1763.	♈	4 21	11 3	5 22
11	Thu	6 53	5 37	14	14 2	☺ T. A. Edison b. 1847.	♈	5 15	11 53	6 22
12	Fri	6 53	5 38	14	13 42	H. Seymour d. 1886.	♊	ris. E	morn	7 12
13	Sat	6 52	5 39	14	13 22	Chas. X of Sweden d. 1660	♊	7 12	0 40	7 59
Second Sunday.								Day's length 10 hours 49 minutes.		
14	*C.*	6 51	5 40	14	13 1	VALENTINE'S DAY.	♋	7 54	1 24	8 43
15	Mon	6 50	5 41	14	12 41	☌♄☽. Blackstone d. 1780	♋	8 34	2 6	9 28
16	Tue	6 49	5 42	14	12 20	Judge Battle buried 1879.	♋	9 13	2 46	10 5
17	We	6 48	5 43	14	11 59	Peace with England 1815.	♌	9 53	3 25	10 44
18	Thu	6 47	5 44	14	11 38	☌ ♁ ☽. Luther d. 1546.	♌	10 35	4 5	11 24
19	Fri	6 46	5 45	14	11 17	☾	♍	11 19	4 47	eve
20	Sat	6 45	5 46	14	11 55	Bat. of Olista, Fla. '64.	♍	ris. M	5 31	0 50
Third Sunday.								Day's length 11 hours 4 minutes.		
21	*C.*	6 43	5 47	14	10 34	Santa Anna born 1798.	♎	0 7	6 19	1 38
22	Mon	6 42	5 48	14	10 12	Geo. Washington b. 1732.	♎	0 59	7 11	2 30
23	Tue	6 41	5 48	13	9 50	Nashville captured 1862.	♏	1 54	8 6	3 25
24	We	6 40	5 48	13	9 28	Guttenburg died 1468.	♏	2 52	9 4	4 23
25	Thu	6 39	5 49	13	9 6	Battle of Trenton 1776.	♏	3 51	10 3	5 22
26	Fri	6 38	5 50	13	8 43	☺ Napo. esc. Elba 1815.	♐	4 49	11 1	6 20
27	Sat	6 37	5 51	13	8 21	☌ ☿ ☽ Q. Busbee d. '77	♐	5 45	11 57	7 16
Fourth Sunday.								Day's length 11 hours 16 minutes.		
28	*C.*	6 36	5 52	13	7 58	♀ in ♌, ☌♃☽.	♑	sets	eve	8 9
29	Mon	6 35	5 53	13	7 35	This date occurs again 1896	♑	7 3	1 43	9 2

WEATHER CONJECTURES—FEBRUARY.—1, 2, 3, 4, cold high wind; 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, rain; 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, fair and mild; 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, rain or snow if wind S. or S. W.; 27, 28, 29, fair and cold.

3d Month. ***MARCH, 1892.*** ***31 Days.***

Moon's Phases.

	D.	H.	M.			D.	H.	M.
First Quarter,	5	2	6 p. m.	Last Quarter,		21	0	8 p.m.
Full Moon,	13	7	47 a. m.	New Moon,		28	8	10 a.m.

Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Sun slow.	Sun's decline south.	ASPECT OF PLANETS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS MATTER.	Moon's place.	Moon rises or sets.	Moon south.	Tides at Southport.
1	Tue	6 34	5 55	12	7 13	♂ ♀ ☽.	♎	8 46	2 34	9 53
2	We	6 32	5 56	12	6 50		♎	9 38	3 26	10 45
3	Thu	6 30	5 57	12	6 27	Serfdom abol. in Russia '63	♏	10 31	4 19	11 38
4	Fri	6 28	5 58	12	6 3	Harrison inaug. 1889.	♏	11 26	5 14	morn
5	Sat	6 26	6 00	12	5 40	Boston massacre 1770	♏	s'ts M	6 10	0 33
First Sunday.							Day's length 11 hours 36 minutes.			
6	***B.***	6 24	6 0	11	5 17	♂ ♀ ☉ superior.	♐	0 22	7 8	1 29
7	Mon	6 23	6 1	11	4 54		♐	1 20	8 5	2 27
8	Tue	6 22	6 1	11	4 30	Mosby captured 1863.	♐	2 17	8 59	3 24
9	We	6 20	6 2	11	4 7	Battle of Vera Cruz 1847.	♐	3 11	9 50	4 18
10	Thu	6 18	6 3	10	4 43	♂ in ♉.	♑	4 2	10 37	5 9
11	Fri	6 17	6 4	10	3 20		♑	4 49	11 22	6 56
12	Sat	6 16	6 5	10	2 56	♂♃ ♀. 1st Pa. Assem. 1683	♑	ris. E	morn	6 41
Second Sunday.							Day's length 11 hours 52 minutes.			
13	***B.***	6 14	6 6	9	2 32	Pocahontas d. 1616.	♒	6 32	0 4	7 23
14	Mon	6 13	6 6	9	2 9	West P't Ac. est. 1802	♒	7 11	0 44	8 3
15	Tue	6 12	6 7	9	1 45	Cæsar assass. B. C. 44.	♓	7 51	1 23	8 42
16	We	6 11	6 8	9	1 21	♂ ♄ ☉. Bat. Averasboro '65	♓	8 32	2 3	9 22
17	Thu	6 09	6 9	8	0 58	♂ in ♌.	♈	9 13	2 44	10 3
18	Fri	6 08	6 10	8	0 34	Suez Canal comp. 1869.	♈	9 58	3 27	10 46
19	Sat	6 06	6 11	8	0 10	☉ enters Aries. SPR. COM	♈	10 50	4 13	11 32
Third Sunday.							Day's length 12 hours 8 minutes.			
20	***B.***	6 04	6 12	7	north	Tornado in Ral. '75.	♉	11 43	5 2	eve
21	Mon	6 03	6 12	7	0 37	♂ ♂ ☽.	♉	ris. M	5 55	1 14
22	Tue	6 02	6 13	7	1 1	♀ in peri. St. Act pas'd 1765	♉	0 38	6 50	2 9
23	We	6 0	6 14	7	1 25	Henry Gray died 1880.	♊	1 35	7 47	3 6
24	Thu	5 59	6 15	6	1 48	Queen Elizabeth d. 1603.	♊	2 32	8 44	4 3
25	Fri	5 58	6 16	6	2 12		♊	3 28	9 40	4 59
26	Sat	5 57	6 17	6	2 35			4 22	10 34	5 53
Fourth Sunday.							Day's length 12 hours 23 minutes.			
27	***B.***	5 55	6 18	5	2 59	John Bright d. 1889.	♋	5 15	11 27	6 46
28	Mon	5 53	6 18	5	3 22		♋	sets E	eve	7 38
29	Tue	5 51	6 19	5	3 45	☐ ♂ ☉.	♋	7 24	1 12	8 31
30	We	5 50	6 20	4	4 9	Bat. Somerville, Ky., '63.	♋	8 18	2 6	9 25
31	Thu	5 48	6 21	4	4 32	♀ greatest Elonga. E.	♋	9 14	3 2	10 21

WEATHER CONJECTURES—MARCH.—1, 2, 3, 4, fair and cold; 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, fair and mild; 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, stormy; 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, rain and snow; 28, 29, 30, 31, snow if wind from East.

4th Month. ***APRIL, 1892.*** ***30 Days.***

Moon's Phases.

	D.	H.	M		D.	H.	M.	
First Quarter,	4	1	13	a. m.	Last Quarter,	20	0	52 a. m.
Full Moon,	12	1	18	a. m.	New Moon,	26	4	38 p. m.

Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Sun slow.	Sun's decline south.	ASPECT OF PLANETS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS MATTER.	Moon's place.	Moon rises or sets.	Moon south.	Tides at Southport.
1	Fri	5 47	6 22	4	4 55			10 12	4 0	11 19
2	Sat	5 46	6 23	3	5 18	♀ in Peri. Richm'd ev.'65		11 12	5 0	morn
First Sunday.								Day's length 12 hours 39 minutes.		
3	***B.***	5 44	6 23	3	5 41	Peter Cooper d. 1883.		s'ts M	5 59	0 19
4	Mon	5 42	6 24	3	6 4	Gen. Harrison d. '41.		0 11	6 55	1 18
5	Tue	5 41	6 25	3	6 27	Robert Raikes died 1811.		1 7	7 47	2 14
6	We	5 39	6 26	2	6 49	Bat. Pittsburg Land'g '62.		1 59	8 36	3 6
7	Thu	5 38	6 27	2	7 12	Island No. 10 sur. 1862.		2 48	9 21	3 55
8	Fri	5 36	6 28	2	7 34	Seventh Crusade 747.		3 33	10 3	4 40
9	Sat	5 35	6 29	1	7 56	♂ ♄ ☽. Lee sur. 1865.		4 15	10 43	5 22
Second Sunday.								Day's length 12 hours 56 min.		
10	***B.***	5 34	6 30	1	8 18	Modoc Massacre 1873.		4 55	11 23	6 2
11	Mon	5 33	6 31	1	8 40	Fort Pulaski sur. 1862		5 35	morn	6 42
12	Tue	5 31	6 31	1	9 2	Fort Sumter att. 1861		ris. E	0 2	7 21
13	We	5 30	6 32	0	9 24	♂ ♁ ☽. Raleigh sur. 1865.		7 13	0 43	8 2
14	Thu	5 28	6 33	fast	9 45	Pres. Lincoln assass. 1865.		7 58	1 25	8 44
15	Fri	5 27	6 34		10 7	Pres. Johnson inaug. 1865		8 46	2 10	9 29
16	Sat	5 25	6 34	1	10 28	French evac. Mexico '67.		9 37	2 58	10 17
Third Sunday.								Day's length 13 hours 11 minutes.		
17	***B.***	5 24	6 35	1	10 49			10 31	3 49	11 8
18	Mon	5 23	6 36	1	11 10	Luther at Worms 1521.		11 26	4 43	eve
19	Tue	5 22	6 37	1	11 30	☾ ♂ ♂ ☽. ♂ ☿ ☉.		ris. M	5 38	0 57
20	We	5 21	6 38	1	11 51	Plymouth cap. 1864.		0 22	6 34	1 53
21	Thu	5 20	6 39	1	12 11	Norfolk Navy Y'd cap. '61		1 16	7 28	2 47
22	Fri	5 18	6 40	2	12 31			2 9	8 21	3 40
23	Sat	5 17	6 41	2	12 51	♂ ♁ ☉ S. A. Douglas b. 1831		3 0	9 12	4 31
Fourth Sunday.								Day's length 13 hours 26 minutes.		
24	***B.***	5 15	6 41	2	13 11	♂ ♃ ☽.		3 51	10 3	5 22
25	Mon	5 14	6 42	2	13 30	B'k of Engl. inc. 1694		4 43	10 55	6 14
26	Tue	5 13	6 43	2	13 50	☉ ecl, invis. in N. C.		5 36	11 48	7 7
27	We	5 12	6 43	3	14 9	U. S. Grant born 1822.		sets E	eve	8 0
28	Thu	5 11	6 44	3	14 27	♂ ♆ ☽ Jas. Monroe b. 1759		7 55	1 43	9 2
29	Fri	5 10	6 45	3	14 46	Capitol disast'r Richm'd'70		8 56	2 44	10 3
30	Sat	5 09	6 46	3	15 4	1st President inaug 1789.		9 58	3 46	11 5

WEATHER CONJECTURES—APRIL —1, 2, 3, snow if wind from East; 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, fair; 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, fair; 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, fair; 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, fair.

5th Month. ***MAY, 1892.*** ***31 Days.***

Moon's Phases.

	D.	H.	M.		D.	H.	M.
First Quarter,	3	2	3 p. m.	Last Quarter,	19	0	44 a. m.
Full Moon,	11	5	51 p. m.	New Moon,	26	0	41 a. m.

Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Sun fast.	Sun's decline north.	ASPECT OF PLANETS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS MATTER.	Moon's place.	Moon rises or sets.	Moon south.	Tides at Southport.
First Sunday.										Day's length 13 hours 39 minutes.
1	***B.***	5 8	6 47	3	15 22	☿ sta. Wellington b. 1769	♐	10 57	4 45	morn
2	Mon	5 7	6 48	3	15 40	Stonewall Jackson wd'd'63	♐	11 53	5 41	0 4
3	Tue	5 6	6 49	3	15 57	America disc. 1492.	♑	sets M	6 32	1 0
4	We	5 4	6 49	3	16 15	Rapidan crossed 1864	♑	0 44	7 19	1 51
5	Thu	5 4	6 50	3	16 32	☿ in Aphelion.	♑	1 31	8 2	2 38
6	Fri	5 3	6 51	4	16 48	♂ ♄☽. Bat. Wilderness '64	♒	2 14	8 43	3 21
7	Sat	5 2	6 51	4	17 5		♒	2 55	9 22	4 2
Second Sunday.										Day's length 13 hours 57 minutes.
8	***B.***	5 1	6 52	4	17 21	Battle Palo Alto 1846.	♒	3 34	10 1	4 41
9	Mon	5 0	6 53	4	17 37	Bat. Spottsylvania C.H.'64	♓	4 13	10 41	5 20
10	Tue	4 59	6 54	4	17 52	CONF. MEMO. DAY,	♓	4 53	11 23	6 0
11	We	4 58	6 54	4	18 8	☽ ecl. visible in N. C.	♓	5 35	morn	6 42
12	Thu	4 57	6 55	5	18 23	Battle Raymond 1865.	♈	ris. E	0 7	7 26
13	Fri	4 56	6 56	4	18 37	Maria Theresa born 1717.	♈	7 33	0 55	8 14
14	Sat	4 55	6 57	4	18 52		♈	8 27	1 45	9 4
Third Sunday.										Day's length 14 hours 4 minutes.
15	***B.***	4 54	6 58	4	19 6	Battle Resaca, Ga., '64.	♉	9 22	2 39	9 58
16	Mon	4 53	6 59	4	19 19	Bat. Champion Hill, '63.	♉	10 17	3 34	10 53
17	Tue	4 53	7 0	4	19 33	☿ greatest elon. W.	♊	11 10	4 29	11 48
18	We	4 52	7 1	4	19 46	Vicksburg inv. 1863.	♊	ris. M	5 22	eve
19	Thu	4 52	7 1	4	19 59	Vicksburg def'd'd '63.	♋	0 2	6 14	1 33
20	Fri	4 51	7 2	4	20 11	MECKLENB'G INDE, 1775.	♋	0 52	9 4	2 23
21	Sat	4 50	7 3	4	20 23	N. C. seceded 1861.	♋	1 42	7 54	3 13
Fourth Sunday.										Day's length 14 hours 14 minutes.
22	***B.***	4 49	7 3	4	20 35	Rich'd Wagner b. 1813.	♌	2 31	8 43	4 2
23	Mon	4 48	7 4	4	20 46	1st newsp'er pub. Eng. 1622	♌	3 22	9 34	4 53
24	Tue	4 48	7 5	3	20 57	♂ ☿☽. Queen Vic. b. 1819	♌	4 15	10 27	5 46
25	We	4 48	7 5	3	21 8	☿ gr. Hel. Lat. S.	♍	5 12	11 24	6 43
26	Thu	4 47	7 6	3	21 18	♄ sta.	♍	sets E	eve	7 41
27	Fri	4 47	7 7	3	21 28	Bat. Hanov'r C.H., Va., '62	♍	7 39	1 27	8 46
28	Sat	4 46	7 8	3	21 37		♎	8 41	2 29	9 48
Fifth Sunday.										Day's length 13 hours 23 minutes.
29	***B.***	4 46	7 9	3	21 46	♂ ♀☽. Paris burned '71.	♎	9 40	3 28	10 47
30	Mon	4 45	7 10	3	21 55	Dr. F. J. Haywood d. '80	♎	10 35	4 23	11 42
31	Tue	4 45	7 11	3	22 3	Battle Fair Oaks 1862.	♏	11 25	5 13	morn

WEATHER CONJECTURES—MAY.—1, 2, fair; 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, changeable; 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, fair; 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, changeable; 26, 27, 78, 29, 30, 31, fair.

6th Month. ***JUNE, 1892.*** ***30 Days.***

Moon's Phases.

	D.	H.	M.		D.	H.	M.
First Quarter,	2	4	43 a. m.	Last Quarter,	17	3	52 p. m.
Full Moon,	10	8	24 a. m.	New Moon,	24	8	58 a. m.

Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Sun fast.	Sun's decline north.	ASPECT OF PLANETS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS MATTER.	Moon's place.	Moon rises or sets.	Moon south.	Tides at Southport.
1	We	4 44	7 11	2	22 11	Bat. Cold Harbor '64.		sets M	5 58	0 37
2	Thu	4 44	7 11	2	22 19	♀ gr. brilliancy.		0 10	6 40	1 17
3	Fri	4 44	7 12	2	22 26	♂ ♄ ☽. Jeff. Davis b. 1808		0 52	7 20	1 59
4	Sat	4 43	7 12	2	22 33	George II born 1738.		1 32	8 0	2 39
First Sunday.										Day's length 14 hours 32 minutes.
5	***B.***	4 41	7 13	2	22 39	De Soto died 1542.		2 12	8 39	3 19
6	Mon	4 41	7 13	2	22 45	Patrick Henry died 1799.		2 51	9 20	3 58
7	Tue	4 41	7 14	1	22 51	Robert Bruce died 1329.		3 32	10 4	4 39
8	We	4 41	7 14	1	22 56	Battle Cross Keys 1862.		4 16	10 50	5 23
9	Thu	4 41	7 15	1	23 1	Georgia char. 1732.		5 02	11 40	6 9
10	Fri	4 41	7 15	1	23 6	♂ ♀ ♆.		5 52	morn	6 59
11	Sat	4 41	7 16	1	23 10	Salem witchcraft 1692.		ris. E	0 33	7 82
Second Sunday.										Day's length 14 hours 35 minutes.
12	***B.***	4 41	7 16	0	23 13	Bryant died 1878.		8 12	1 29	8 48
13	Mon	4 41	7 16	0	23 16	☿ in ♌ Maryl'd char. 1633		9 7	2 24	9 43
14	Tue	4 41	7 16	0	23 19	☐ ♄ ☉ 1st Perse. by Ner. 64		9 59	3 19	10 38
15	We	4 41	7 17	0	23 22	Magna Charta 1215.		10 49	4 11	11 30
16	Thu	4 41	7 18	slow	23 24	Luther excommuic'td 1520		11 38	5 1	eve
17	Fri	4 41	7 18		23 25	☾ ♀ stationary.		ris. M	5 50	1 9
18	Sat	4 41	7 19	1	23 26	☾ ☿ in Peri.		0 26	6 38	1 57
Third Sunday.										Day's length 14 hours 37 minutes.
19	***B.***	4 42	7 19	1	23 27	♀ in ♍. ♂ ♃ ☽.		1 14	7 26	2 45
20	Mon	4 43	7 19	1	23 27	♂ ☿ ☉ sup. SUMMER COM		2 5	8 17	3 36
21	Tue	4 43	7 19	2	23 27	Prov. 10: 17.		2 58	9 10	4 29
22	We	4 43	7 19	2	23 27	Bat. Ramseur's Mills 1780		3 56	10 8	5 27
23	Thu	4 43	7 19	2	23 26	Bat. Chickahominy '62		4 57	11 9	6 28
24	Fri	4 43	7 19	2	23 24	♂ ☿ ☽ ST. JOHN'S DAY		sets E	eve	7 29
25	Sat	4 43	7 19	2	23 23	♂ ♀ ☽.		7 24	1 12	8 31
Fourth Sunday,										Day's length 14 hours 36 minutes.
26	***B.***	4 44	7 20	3	23 21			8 22	2 10	9 29
27	Mon	4 44	7 20	3	23 18	Battle Gaines' Mill 1862.		9 15	3 3	10 22
28	Tue	4 44	7 20	3	23 15	☿ gr. Hel. Lat. N.		10 3	3 51	11 10
29	We	4 45	7 20	4	23 12	Henry Clay died 1852.		10 47	4 35	11 54
30	Thu	4 45	7 29	4	23 8	♂ ♄ ☽. ♂ ☿ ♀.		11 29	5 17	morn

WEATHER CONJECTURES—JUNE.—1 fair; 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, rain; 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, changeable; 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, changeable; 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, changeable.

7th Month. ***JULY, 1892.*** ***31 Days.***

Moon's Phases.

	D.	H.	M.		D.	H.	M.
First Quarter,	1	9	5 p. m.	Last Quarter,	16	8	39 p. m.
Full Moon,	9	8	35 p. m.	New Moon,	23	6	22 p. m.
				First Quarter,	31	2	27 p. m.

Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Sun slow.	Sun's decline north.	ASPECT OF PLANETS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS MATTER.	Moon's place.	Moon rises or sets.	Moon south.	Tides at Southport.
1	Fri	4 45	7 20	4	23 4	Bat. Gettysburg 1863.		sets	5 56	0 35
2	Sat	4 46	7 20	4	22 59	Garfield assass. 1881.		0 8	6 36	1 15
First Sunday.								Day's length 14 hours 33 minutes.		
3	***B.***	4 47	7 20	4	22 54	☌ ♁ ☽.		0 48	7 16	1 55
4	Mon	4 47	7 20	4	22 49	INDEPEND U. S. 1776.		1 28	7 59	2 35
5	Tue	4 48	7 19	4	22 43	Monroe died 1831.		2 11	8 44	3 18
6	We	4 48	7 19	5	22 37	☍ sta. Bat. Carthage '61.		2 56	9 32	4 3
7	Thu	4 49	7 19	5	22 20	Sheridan died 1816.		3 44	10 25	4 51
8	Fri	4 50	7 19	5	22 23			4 37	11 20	5 44
9	Sat	4 50	7 19	5	22 16	☌ ♀ ☉ inferior.		ris. E	morn	6 39
Second Sunday.								Day's length 14 hours 27 minutes.		
10	***B.***	4 51	7 18	5	22 8			7 6	0 16	7 35
11	Mon	4 52	7 18	5	22 0	Bat. Rich Mountain '61.		7 55	1 12	8 31
12	Tue	4 52	7 18	5	21 51	☌ ☍ ☊.		8 46	2 7	9 26
13	We	4 53	7 17	6	21 42	Draft Riots in N. Y. '63.		9 36	2 58	10 17
14	Thu	4 53	7 17	6	21 33	Gseat Chicago fire 1873.		10 26	3 48	11 7
15	Fri	4 54	7 16	6	21 24	☾ □ ♃ ☉.		11 12	4 36	11 55
16	Sat	4 55	7 16	6	21 14	☾ ☌ ♃ ☽.		rises	5 24	eve
Third Sunday.								Day's length 14 hours 20 minutes.		
17	***B.***	4 55	7 15	6	21 3	Fort Mackinaw cap. 1812.		0 1	6 13	1 32
18	Mon	4 56	7 15	6	20 53	Dean Stanly d. 1881.		0 52	7 4	2 23
19	Tue	4 57	7 14	6	20 42	Great fire in N. Y. 1845.		1 46	7 58	3 17
20	We	4 57	7 13	6	20 30	☌ ♆ ♀.		2 44	8 56	4 15
21	Thu	4 58	7 13	6	20 18	First Bat. Bull Run 1861.		3 45	9 57	5 16
22	Fri	4 59	7 12	6	20 6	☌ ♀ ☾.		4 46	10 58	6 17
23	Sat	5 0	7 12	6	19 54	♀ in Aphelion.		5 54	11 57	7 16
Fourth Sunday.								Day's length 14 hours 10 minutes.		
24	***B.***	5 1	7 11	6	19 41	□ ♁ ☉. ♃ in Peri.		sets E	eve	8 12
25	Mon	5 2	7 11	6	19 28	☉ ☿ ☽.		7 54	1 42	9 1
26	Tue	5 3	7 10	6	19 15	Robert Fulton born 1765.		8 40	2 28	9 47
27	We	5 3	7 9	6	19 1	☌ ♄ ☽.		9 23	3 11	10 30
28	Thu	5 3	7 8	6	18 47	Robespierre d. 1794.		9 64	3 52	11 11
29	Fri	5 4	7 7	6	18 33	☿ gr. Elon. E. 2d Cor. 5:2		10 44	4 32	11 51
30	Sat	5 5	7 6	6	18 18	Wilberforce died 1833.		11 24	5 12	morn
Fifth Sunday.								Day's length 14 hours 0 minutes.		
31	***B.***	5 6	7 6	6	18 3	♀ stationary.		sets	5 53	0 31

WEATHER CONJECTURES—JULY.—1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, fair if wind N. W., rainy if wind S. W.; 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, fair if wind N. W., rainy if wind S. W.; 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, fair if wind N. W., rainy if wind S. W.; 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, rain if wind S. or S. W.; 31, changeable.

8th Month. **AUGUST, 1892.** **31 Days.**

Moon's Phases.

	D.	H.	M.		D.	H.	M.
Full Moon,	8	6	49 a. m.	New Moon,	22	5	51 a. m.
Last Quarter,	15	1	29 a. m.	First Quarter,	30	8	21 a. m.

Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Sun slow.	Sun's decline north.	ASPECT OF PLANETS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS MATTER.	Moon's place.	Moon rises or sets.	Moon south.	Tides at Southport.
1	Mon	5 6	7 5	6	17 48	Columbus disc. m'n l'd 1498	♎	0 5	6 37	1 12
2	Tue	5 7	7 4	6	17 32	Battle Plevna 1877.	♎	0 49	7 24	1 56
3	We	5 8	7 3	6	17 17	☌ ☍ ☉.	♎	1 36	8 14	2 43
4	Thu	5 9	7 2	6	17 0	Ed. Irving born 1792.	♏	2 26	9 8	3 33
5	Fri	5 10	7 1	6	16 44	Battle Baton Rouge 1862.	♏	3 20	10 4	4 27
6	Sat	5 11	7 1	6	16 27	Cromwell died 1658.	♏	4 16	11 1	5 23
First Sunday.										Day's length 13 hours 49 minutes.
7	*B.*	5 11	7 0	5	16 11	☌ ☍ ☽.	♐	5 12	11 57	6 20
8	Mon	5 12	6 58	5	15 53	Fort Gaines sur. '64.	♐	ris. E	morn	7 16
9	Tue	5 13	6 56	5	15 36	Dryden born 1631.	♐	7 30	0 51	8 10
10	We	5 13	6 55	5	15 18	Battle Wilson's Creek '61.	♐	8 20	1 42	9 1
11	Thu	5 14	6 54	5	15 0	☿ sta. Moreau b. 1763.	♑	9 9	2 32	9 51
12	Fri	5 15	6 53	5	14 42	Rob't Southey born 1774.	♑	9 58	3 21	10 40
13	Sat	5 16	6 52	5	14 24	☌ ⚳ ☽.	♒	10 49	4 10	11 29
Second Sunday.										Day's length 13 hours 34 minutes.
14	*B.*	5 17	6 51	4	14 5	Gen. Grimes assas. '80	♒	11 42	5 1	eve
15	Mon	5 18	6 50	4	13 46	☌ great. brilliancy.	♒	ris. M	5 54	1 13
16	Tue	5 19	6 49	4	13 27	☌ ☊ ☽. Senator Hill d. '82	♓	0 38	6 50	2 9
17	We	5 19	6 48	4	13 8	Mt. Cenis Tunnel op. '71.	♓	1 37	7 49	8 8
18	Thu	5 20	6 46	4	12 49	☌ ☌ ☽. At. Hotel dest. '79.	♈	2 37	8 49	4 8
19	Fri	5 21	6 45	3	12 28		♈	3 36	9 48	5 7
20	Sat	5 21	6 44	3	12 9	Lawrence, Kan., burn'd '63	♈	4 31	10 43	6 2
Third Sunday.										Day's length 13 hours 21 minutes.
21	*B.*	5 22	6 43	3	11 49	☿ gr. Hel. Lat. S.	♉	5 22	11 34	6 53
22	Mon	5 23	6 42	3	11 29	☌ ☿ ☽.	♉	sets E	eve	7 40
23	Tue	5 24	6 40	2	11 8	Wm. Herschell d. 1822.	♉	7 18	1 6	8 25
24	We	5 25	6 39	2	10 48	☌ ♄ ☽.	♊	7 59	1 47	9 5
25	Thu	5 26	6 38	2	10 27	☌ ☿ ☉. inferior.	♊	8 40	2 28	9 47
26	Fri	5 27	6 36	2	10 6	Louis Phillippi d. 1850.	♊	9 20	3 8	10 27
27	Sat	5 27	6 35	1	9 45	☌ ⚷ ☽. Tr. of A. Burr 1807	♋	10 00	3 48	11 7
Fourth Sunday.										Day's length 13 hours 5 minutes.
28	*B.*	5 28	6 33	1	9 23	Gœthe born 1749.	♋	10 43	4 31	11 50
29	Mon	5 28	6 32	1	9 2	John Locke b. 1632.	♋	11 28	5 16	morn
30	Tue	5 29	6 31	0	8 40		♋	sets M	6 4	0 35
31	We	5 30	6 30	0	8 19	Charleston earthq'ke 1886.	♋	0 16	6 56	1 23

WEATHER CONJECTURES—AUGUST.—1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, changeable; 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, wind and rain; 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, fair; 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, rain; 30, 31, changeable.

9th Month. ***SEPTEMBER, 1892.*** ***30 Days.***

Moon's Phases.

	D.	H.	M.		D.	H.	M.
Full Moon,	6	3	59 p. m.	New Moon,	20	8	8 p. m.
Last Quarter,	13	7	41 a. m.	First Quarter,	29	1	11 a. m.

Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Sun fast.	Sun's decline north.	ASPECT OF PLANETS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS MATTER.	Moon's place.	Moon rises or sets.	Moon south.	Tides at Southport.
1	Thu	5 31	6 28	fast	7 57	Battle of Sedan '70.	♎	1 10	7 50	2 15
2	Fri	5 32	6 27		7 35	Battle Fairfax Church '62	♎	2 2	8 46	3 9
3	Sat	5 33	6 25	1	7 13	□♆☉. Cromwell d. 1658.	♏	2 58	9 43	4 5
First Sunday.								Day's length 12 hours 48 minutes.		
4	*B.*	5 34	6 24	1	6 51	♂ sta. French Repub. 1870	♐	3 55	10 37	5 2
5	Mon	5 35	6 22	2	6 28	Gov. Graham b. 1805	♐	4 49	11 30	5 56
6	Tue	5 35	6 21	2	6 6	LaFayette b. 1757.	♑	5 42	morn	6 49
7	We	5 36	6 19	2	5 43	☿ in peri. Brazil ind. 1822	♑	ris. E	0 22	7 41
8	Thu	5 36	6 18	3	5 20	Destruc. of Jerusalem 70.	♑	6 10	1 12	8 31
9	Fri	5 37	6 16	3	4 58	♂♃☽. Bat. of Eutaw 1781	♑	7 0	2 3	9 22
10	Sat	5 38	6 15	3	4 35		♑	7 51	2 54	10 13
Second Sunday.								Day's length 12 hours 35 minutes.		
11	*B.*	5 39	6 14	4	4 12	☿ greatest Elon. W.	♒	8 42	3 48	11 7
12	Mon	5 39	6 12	4	3 49	♂♆☽.	♒	9 36	4 45	eve
13	Tue	5 40	6 11	4	3 26	♆ stationary.	♓	10 33	5 44	1 3
14	We	5 41	6 10	5	3 3	☿ in Peri.	♓	11 32	6 44	2 3
15	Thu	5 42	6 8	5	2 40		♓	ris. M	7 43	3 2
16	Fri	5 43	6 6	5	2 17	♂♀☽.	♈	2 27	8 39	3 58
17	Sat	5 44	6 5	6	1 54	Coffee br'ght to Eng. 1642	♈	3 18	9 30	4 49
Third Sunday.								Day's length 12 hours 20 minutes.		
18	*B.*	5 44	6 4	6	1 30	Battle Gravelotte 1870.	♉	4 6	10 18	5 37
19	Mon	5 45	6 2	6	1 7	♀ greatest Elon. W.	♉	4 51	11 3	6 22
20	Tue	5 45	6 1	7	0 44	Gr. panic in N.Y., '73	♉	5 31	11 43	7 2
21	We	5 46	6 0	7	0 20	♂♄☽. Bat. Fisher Hill '64	♊	sets E	eve	7 42
22	Thu	5 47	5 58	8	south	☉ enters ♎. AUTUMN COM	♎	7 17	1 5	8 24
23	Fri	5 48	5 56	8	0 26	♂♅☽. ♆ Neptune disc. '46	♎	7 57	1 45	9 4
24	Sat	5 49	5 54	8	0 50	☿ gr. Hel. Lat. N.	♋	8 39	2 27	9 46
Fourth Sunday.								Day's length 12 hours 3 minutes.		
25	*B.*	5 50	5 53	9	1 13	♂♄☉. Bat. Montreal 1775	♋	9 23	3 11	10 30
26	Mon	5 51	5 52	9	1 37	Daniel Boone died 1820.	♌	10 9	3 57	11 17
27	Tue	5 51	5 50	9	2 0	Battle of Pilot Knob 1864.	♌	10 59	4 47	morn
28	We	5 51	5 49	10	2 23	Ft. Harrison cap. '64.	♌	11 52	5 40	0 6
29	Thu	5 52	5 47	10	2 47		♍	sets M	6 34	0 59
30	Fri	5 53	5 46	10	3 10		♍	0 44	7 29	1 53

WEATHER CONJECTURES—SEPTEMBER.—1, 2, 3, 4, 5, changeable; 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, variable; 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, wind and rain; 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, rain if wind S. or S. W.; 29, 30, fair.

10th Month. ***OCTOBER, 1892.*** ***31 Days.***

Moon's Phases.

	D	H.	m.		D.	H.	M.
☽ Full Moon,	6	1	3 a. m.	● New Moon,	20	1	16 p. m.
☾ Last Quarter,	12	4	29 p. m.	☽ First Quarter,	28	8	18 p. m.

Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Sun fast.	Sun's decline south.	ASPECT OF PLANETS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS MATTER.	Moon's place.	Moon rises or sets.	Moon south.	Tides at Southport.
1	Sat	5 54	5 44	10	3 33	♂ ☿ ♄. State Exp'n '84&'91	♎	1 41	8 23	7 48
First Sunday.								Day's length 11 hours 44 minutes.		
2	*B.*	5 55	5 43	11	3 57		♏	2 35	9 16	3 42
3	Mon	5 56	5 41	11	4 20	Bancroft born 1800.	♏	3 28	10 07	4 35
4	Tue	5 57	5 40	11	4 43		♏	4 19	10 58	5 26
5	We	5 58	5 39	12	5 6	☺ ♂ ♃ ☽.	♐	5 10	11 49	6 17
6	Thu	5 59	5 38	12	5 20		♐	ris. E	morn	7 8
7	Fri	6 59	5 36	12	5 52	Battle Saratoga 1777.	♐	7 24	0 41	8 0
8	Sat	6 0	5 35	13	6 15	♂ ☿ ☉ superior.	♐	8 22	1 36	8 55
Second Sunday.								Day's length 11 hours 33 minutes.		
9	*B.*	6 1	5 34	13	6 38	♂ ♆ ☽. Chicago fire 1871.	♑	9 22	2 34	9 53
10	Mon	6 2	5 32	13	7 1	♀ in ♌. Seward d. 1872.	♑	10 24	3 34	10 53
11	Tue	6 3	5 30	13	7 23	☾ ♂ ♃ ☉. R. E. Lee d. '70	♒	11 25	4 36	11 55
12	We	6 4	5 29	14	7 46		♒	ris. M	5 37	eve
13	Thu	6 5	5 28	14	8 8	Conova d. 1822.	♒	0 23	6 35	1 54
14	Fri	6 6	5 27	14	8 30	Battle of Hastings 1066.	♐	1 16	7 28	2 47
15	Sat	6 7	5 25	14	8 53	Bank of Paris 1857.	♐	2 5	8 17	3 36
Third Sunday.								Day's length 11 hours 16 minutes.		
16	*B.*	6 8	5 24	15	9 15	♂ ♃ ☽. Nap. at Helena '15	♑	2 50	9 2	4 21
17	Mon	6 9	5 23	15	9 37	Surrender Burgoyne 1777.	♑	3 32	9 44	5 3
18	Tue	6 9	5 21	15	9 58	♂ ♄ ☽. Morgan raids Ky'62	♑	4 12	10 24	5 43
19	We	6 10	5 19	15	10 20	● Bat. Hatcher's Run'64	♒	4 52	11 4	6 23
20	Thu	6 11	5 18	15	10 42		♒	5 32	11 44	7 3
21	Fri	6 12	5 17	15	11 3	♂ ♂ ☽. Bat. Ball's Bluff '61	♒	sets E	eve	7 45
22	Sat	6 13	5 16	16	11 24	Listz born 1811.	♓	7 20	1 8	8 28
Fourth Sunday.								Day's length 11 hours 1 minute.		
23	*B.*	6 14	5 15	16	11 45		♓	8 6	1 54	9 13
24	Mon	6 15	5 14	16	12 6	Daniel Webster d. 1852.	♓	8 54	2 42	10 1
25	Tue	6 16	5 12	16	12 26	Macaulay born 1800.	♈	9 47	3 35	10 54
26	We	6 16	5 11	16	12 47	Hogarth died 1765.	♈	10 38	4 26	11 45
27	Thu	6 17	5 10	16	13 7		♈	11 32	5 20	morn
28	Fri	6 18	5 9	16	13 27	☽ ☿ in Aphe.	♉	sets M	6 13	0 39
29	Sat	6 19	5 8	16	13 47		♉	0 25	7 4	1 32
Fifth Sunday.								Day's length 10 hours 46 minutes.		
30	*B.*	6 20	5 6	16	14 7	♂ ♂ ☽. Gambetta b. 1838	♉	1 16	7 54	2 23
31	Mon	6 21	5 5	16	14 26		♉	2 6	8 44	3 13

WEATHER CONJECTURES—OCTOBER.—1, 2, 3, 4, 5, fafr; 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, frost unless wind from S. W. or S.; 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, fair; 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, frost; 28, 29, 30, 31, snow if wind from S. or S. W.

11th Month. ***NOVEMBER, 1892.*** ***30 Days.***

Moon's Phases.

	D.	H.	M.		D.	H.	M.
Full Moon,	4	10	41 a. m,	New Moon,	19	8	11 a. m.
Last Quarter,	11	4	54 a. m.	First Quarter,	27	5	20 a. m.

Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Sun fast.	Sun's decline south.	ASPECT OF PLANETS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS MATTER.	Moon's place.	Moon rises or sets.	Moon south.	Tides at Southport.
1	Tue	6 22	5 4	16	14 45	America discov. 1492.	♒	2 56	9 33	4 3
2	We	6 23	5 4	16	15 4	☍ ♃ ☽.	♒	3 45	10 24	4 52
3	Thu	6 24	5 3	16	15 23	Moon ecl.inv. in N.C.	♒	4 36	11 18	5 43
4	Fri	6 25	5 2	16	15 41	Geo. Peabody died 1869.	♓	5 30	morn	6 37
5	Sat	6 26	5 1	16	15 59	Kepler died 1630.	♓	ris. E	0 15	7 34
First Sunday.									Day's length 10 hours 33 minutes.	
6	*B.*	6 27	5 0	16	16 17	☌ ☊ ☽. Lincoln el. 1860.	♓	8 8	1 16	8 55
7	Mon	6 28	4 59	16	16 35		♓	9 12	2 20	9 39
8	Tue	6 29	4 58	16	16 52	Milton died 1674.	♈	10 13	3 24	10 43
9	We	6 30	4 56	16	17 9		♈	11 10	4 25	11 44
10	Thu	6 31	4 56	16	17 26	☾ ☌ ☿ ♄.	♈	ris. M	5 22	eve
11	Fri	6 32	4 55	16	17 42		♉	0 1	6 13	1 32
12	Sat	6 33	4 55	16	17 58		♉	0 48	7 0	2 19
Second Sunday.									Day's length 10 hours 20 minutes.	
13	*B.*	6 34	4 54	16	18 14	♀ in peri. Fall of meteors '33	♉	1 31	4 43	3 1
14	Mon	6 35	4 53	15	18 30	☌ ♄ ☽. Herschel b. 1738	♊	2 12	8 24	3 43
15	Tue	6 36	4 53	15	18 45	☌ ♀ ☽.	♊	2 54	9 4	4 23
16	We	6 37	4 52	15	19 0	Sherman's march 1864.	♋	3 31	9 43	5 2
17	Thu	6 38	4 51	15	19 14	☿ gr. Hel. Lat. S.	♋	4 12	10 24	5 43
18	Fri	6 39	4 51	14	19 28	Erupt. Mt. Etna 1832	♌	4 54	11 6	6 25
19	Sat	6 40	4 50	14	19 42	Lesseps born 1805.	♌	5 39	11 51	7 10
Third Sunday.									Day's length 10 hours 9 minutes.	
20	*B.*	6 41	4 50	14	19 56	Great storm 1703.	♌	sets E	eve	7 55
21	Mon	6 42	4 49	14	20 9	☌ ☿ ☽. Berlin decree 1806	♍	7 41	1 29	8 48
22	Tue	6 43	4 49	14	20 21	Sir H. Havelock d. 1857.	♍	8 34	2 22	9 41
23	We	6 44	4 49	13	20 34	☿ great. Elon. E.	♍	9 27	3 15	10 34
24	Thu	6 45	4 48	13	20 46	Bat. Lookout Mount'n '63	♎	10 19	4 7	11 26
25	Fri	6 46	4 47	13	20 57		♎	11 10	4 58	morn
26	Sat	6 47	4 47	12	21 8		♏	sets M	5 48	0 17
Fourth Sunday.									Day's length 9 hours 58 minutes.	
27	*B.*	6 48	4 46	12	21 19	☌ ☌ ☽.	♏	0 1	6 35	1 7
28	Mon	6 49	4 46	12	21 30	Irving died 1859.	♏	0 47	7 23	1 54
29	Tue	6 50	4 46	11	21 40		♏	1 35	8 11	2 42
30	We	6 51	4 46	11	21 49	☍ ♃ ☽. War ended 1782	♐	2 23	9 1	3 30

WEATHER CONJECTURES—NOVEMBER.—1, 2, 3, snow; 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, cold high wind; 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, rain; 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, rain; 27, 28, 29, 30, snow if wind from East.

12th Month. ***DECEMBER, 1892.*** ***31 Days.***

Moon's Phases.

	D. H. M.		D. H. M.
Full Moon,	3 9 9 p. m.	New Moon,	19 3 5 p. m.
Last Quarter,	10 9 21 p. m.	First Quarter,	26 4 14 p. m.

Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Sun fast.	Sun's decline south.	ASPRCT OF PLANETS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS MATTER.	Moon's place.	Moon rises or sets.	Moon south.	Tides at Southport.
1	Thu	6 51	4 46	11	21 58	☿ sta. Bat. Austerlitz 1805	♎	3 13	9 55	4 20
2	Fri	6 52	4 46	10	22 7	John Brown hung 1859	♏	4 7	10 53	5 14
3	Sat	6 53	4 46	10	22 15	☌ ♆ ☽.	♏	5 5	11 56	6 12
First Sunday.										Day's length 9 hours 52 minutes.
4	*B.*	6 54	4 46	9	22 23	☌ ♀ ♁. ♀ gr. Hel. Lat. N.	♏	ris. E	morn	7 10
5	Mon	6 55	4 46	9	22 30	VanBuren born 1782.	♐	7 55	1 2	8 21
6	Tue	6 56	4 46	9	22 37	☿ in ♌. Hastings b. 1782.	♐	8 56	2 7	9 26
7	We	6 56	4 46	8	22 43		♐	9 52	3 8	10 27
8	Thu	6 57	4 46	8	22 50		♐	10 42	4 4	11 23
9	Fri	6 58	4 46	7	22 56	☌ □ ☌ ☉.	♑	11 28	4 54	eve
10	Sat	6 59	4 46	7	23 1	♊ stationary.	♑	ris. M	5 40	0 59
Second Sunday.										Day's length 9 hours 46 minutes.
11	*B.*	7 0	4 46	6	23 6	☿ in Peri. ☌ with ☉ infe.	♑	0 10	6 22	1 41
12	Mon	7 1	4 47	6	23 10	☌ ♄ ☽. Cromwell pro. 1653	♒	0 50	7 2	2 21
13	Tue	7 2	4 47	5	23 14	Drake sailed 1577.	♒	1 30	7 42	3 1
14	We	7 2	4 47	5	23 17	HALCYON DAYS BEGIN.	♒	2 10	8 22	3 41
15	Thu	7 3	4 47	4	23 20	☌ ♃ ☽. Agassiz d. 1873.	♓	2 52	9 4	4 23
16	Fri	7 4	4 48	4	23 22	☌ ♀ ☽.	♓	3 36	9 48	5 7
17	Sat	7 4	4 48	3	23 24	John G. Whittier b. 1807.	♈	4 23	10 35	5 54
Third Sunday.										Day's length 9 hours 44 minutes.
18	*B.*	7 5	4 49	3	23 26	☌ ☌ ☿ ☽.	♈	5 13	11 25	6 44
19	Mon	7 6	4 49	2	23 27	Rome burnt 69.	♈	sets E	eve	7 36
20	Tue	7 7	4 49	2	23 27	South Carolina sece. 1860.	♉	7 23	1 11	8 30
21	We	7 7	4 50	1	23 27	☉ ent. ♑. WINTER COM.	♉	8 16	2 4	9 23
22	Thu	7 8	4 50	1	23 26	☿ sta. Dr. Winchester d. '76	♊	9 8	2 56	10 15
23	Fri	7 8	4 51	slow	23 26		♊	9 57	3 45	11 4
24	Sat	7 9	4 51		23 25	Thackeray died 1863.	♋	10 45	4 33	11 52
Fourth Sunday.										Day's length 9 hours 43 minutes.
25	*B.*	7 9	4 52	0	23 23	CHRISTMAS DAY.	♋	11 31	5 19	morn
26	Mon	7 9	4 53	1	23 21	☌ ☌ ☽. Girard d. 1831	♋	sets M	6 5	0 38
27	Tue	7 10	4 53	2	23 18	☌ ♌ ☽. Chas. Lamb d. '34	♋	0 17	6 53	1 24
28	We	7 10	4 54	2	23 15		♌	1 5	7 43	2 12
29	Thu	7 10	4 54	3	23 11	Battle Stone River 1862.	♌	1 55	8 37	3 2
30	Fri	7 11	4 55	3	23 7	☌ ♆ ☽. Bat. Vicksburg '62	♍	2 49	9 36	3 56
31	Sat	7 11	4 56	4	23 2	Bat. Murfreesboro 1862.	♍	3 48	10 39	4 55

WEATHER CONJECTURES—DECEMBER.—1, 2, snow; 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, snow if wind from S. or S. W.; 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, rain or snow; 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, snow and stormy; 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, fair.

MINISTERIAL DIRECTORY.

ELDERS.

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Albright, H. A.Moffitt's Mills, N. C.
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Anderson, A.G., And'son's Store, N. C.
Apple, Solomon.....Milton, N. C.
Barney, D. A....Lacey Springs, Va.
Barrett, S. S.....Berkley, Va.
Barrett, J. Pressley.....Norfolk, Va.
Barrett, J. Wm.....Franklin, Va.
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Butler, H. H.....Suffolk, Va.
Butler, M. W.....Waverly, Va.
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Clements, W. G.....Raleigh, N. C.
Chewning, M. D.....Milton, Ala
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Craven, W. M.....Coleridge, N. C.
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Dawson, T. B.....Bason, N. C.
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Elder, T. H.....Miltown, Ala.
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Elder, J. W.....Miltown, Ala.
Farrell, J. N.....Strow's Mills, Tex.
Fleming, P. H.....Graham, N. C.
Foster, J. L.....Raleigh, N. C.
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Hatch, John W.....Pittsboro, N. C.
Hayworth, W.W., Moffitt's Mills, N.C.
Herndon, W. T Elon College, N. C.
Holland, R. H.....Holland's, Va.
Holt, J. W.....Burlington, N. C.
Hurley, M. L.....Franklin, Va.
Hunt, G. M.....Aurora, Ala.
Harshbarger, A....Whitesboro, Tex.
Honeycutt, N. B.....Pratt, N. C.
Iseley, A. F....Shallow Ford, N. C.
Iseley, E. T.....Melrose, Va.
Jarrell, E. H.....Randleman, N. C.
Jones, Jr., C. J.....Berkley, Va.
Jones, J. A..Ballentine's Mills, N. C.
Klapp, P. T.....Youngsville, N. C.
Klapp, S. B.....Youngsville, N. C.
Kitchen, J. T.....Windsor, Va.
Knight, W. R.....Roanoke, Ala.
Lawrence, John S.....Erect, N. C.
Lawrence, W. W.....Erect, N. C.
Long, W. S.....Elon College, N. C.
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Mangum, L. W.....Benson, N. C.
Moffitt, H. T..Moffitt's Mills, N. C.
Moore, H. C.....Lawrenceville, Va.
Neese, J. L.....Truett, Ala.
Nelson, A. S.....Big Oak, N. C.
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Newman, N. G.....Ivor, Va.
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Patton, Jno. W.....Liberty, N. C.
Pinnix, J. W....Kernersville, N. C.
Peel, C. C.....Burlington, N. C.
Richardson, W. B.....Bulla, N. C.
Roach, W. H.....High Point, N. C.
Scott, J. A.....Linville, Va.
Smith, Jubilee.....Richland, Ga.
Staley, W. W.....Suffolk, Va.
Stroud, T. W....Chapel Hill, N. C.
Tinnin, R. G....Cedar Grove, N. C.
Underwood, G. R..Jonesboro, N. C.
Walker, W. T....Greensboro, N. C.
Way, S. H.....Brown's Store, N. C.
Way, P. T.....Jonesboro, N. C.
Wellons, J. W...Franklinton, N. C.
Webster, J. A..Franklinsville, N. C.
Whiteman, J. A....Reidsville, N. C.
Wicker, J. D.....Osgood, N. C.
Winston, M. L....Creedmoor, N. C.
Yarbrough, D. R..Gul'y's M'ls, N. C.

Jones, D. F., No. 1 Go Chome, Shin Minato, Cho, Kyobashi Ku, Tokio, Japan.

LICENTIATES.

Atkinson. J. O..Elon College, N. C.
Barbee, A. P.....Durham, N. C.
Barnes, J. W.....Omaha, Tex.
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Demorest, R. H.....Berkley, Va.
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Fuquay, J. W.....Varina, N. C.
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Hines, H. L....Elon College, N. C.
Howard, B. F...Mineral Mills, Tex.
Hurst, W. G.....Aurora, Ala.
Lane, W. J.....Elon College, N. C.
Manning, W. I.....Miltown, Ala.
Parker, J. W.....High Point, N. C.
Rogers, W. A.....Weimar, Tex.
Rowland, C. H.....Raleigh, N. C.
Vuncannon, H.....Ashboro, N. C.
Wicker, W. C...Elon College. N. C.
~~Williams, D. M. Elon College~~, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

FORTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

GEORGIA AND ALABAMA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE.

UNION GROVE CHRISTIAN CHURCH, CHAMBERS CO., ALA.,
October 1st, 1891.

11 A. M.—Introductory sermon by Rev. C. M. Dollar.

Refreshments.

1:30 P. M.—After religious services Conference was opened by Rev. J. D. Elder, President of last session.

A quorum being present Conference proceeded to the election of officers, as follows:

President—Rev. J. D. Elder.
Vice-President—Rev. C. M. Dollar.
Secretary—Rev. H. W. Elder.
Assistant Secretary—J. W. Manning.

ENROLLMENT OF MINISTERS AND DELEGATES.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.—J. D. Elder, T. H. Elder, J. W. Elder, C. M. Dollar, W. R. Knight, H. W. Elder, and M. D. Chewning.

LICENTIATES.—J. B. Orr.

DELEGATES.—*New Hope:* C. C. Hodges, J. W. Manning, W. H. Chewning, J. E. Lambert, and W. S. Johnson. *Antioch:* B. Brown. *Providence:* By letter. *Macedonia:* J. W. Elder, Sr. *Beulah:* E. M. Gay and E. L. Mann. *New Harmony:* D. E. Knight and G. M. S. Burditt. *Pleasant Grove:* A. B. Johnson and L. Mooney. *Rock Spring:* By letter. *Union Grove:* H. O. Wallace and W. D. Sherd. *McGuire's Chapel:* J. H. Jackson. *Mount Zion:* T. R. Staples and S. N. Sledge.

NEW CHURCHES.

Christiana was received as a member of the Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference. Represented by letter and delegate.

Also Center Point was received with letter, and William Johnson as delegate.

Rev. P. T. Klapp, of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference was invited to a seat as a fraternal messenger. He responded with appropriate remarks, &c.

Rev. L. N. Holmes, of the M. E. Church, was invited to a seat as an honorary member.

Vacancies on the standing committees were filled.

The chair appointed the other committees as follows:

Standing of the Ministry—C. M. Dollar and W. R. Knight.
Religious Services—Pastor and delegates of Union Grove Church, E. M. Gay and D. E. Knight.
Standing of the Churches—J. W. Elder, Jr., E L. Mann, and C. C. Hodges.
Moral Reform—A. B. Johnson, J. W. Elder, Jr , and J. B. Orr.
Temperance—C. M. Dollar, H. W. Elder, and W. H. Chewning.
Foreign Missions—J. W. Elder, Sr., C. M. Dollar, and M. D. Chewning.

Brother Fields, from Antioch, was invited to a seat with us.

On motion, the President appointed a committee to prepare order of business; S. N. Sledge, J. W. Manning, and W. R. Knight.

On motion, adjourned until Friday, 9 A. M.

SECOND DAY—FRIDAY, 9 A. M.

President in the chair. Prayer by T. H. Elder. Minutes read and approved.

The chair called for the several reports, which were read as follows:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We, your Committee on Education, beg leave to report the following:

After a careful examination of the meaning of the term, "Education," and the condition of the Christian Church, especially in the bounds of the Georgia and Alabama Conference, we must confess that we are, in a great measure, devoid of the blessed prosperity which must come from the source and power of education. Education is power, and, until we, as a denomination, devise some plan by which we may procure a better educated ministry, which will secure for us a better educated laity, we may expect to trail and grope in the dust of ignorance and superstition, which bane has already cursed our homes and churches for more than twenty-five years. When we look around us in every direction, and see the hundreds and thousands of creed-cursed and conscience-bound Christians who are crying for relief from such oppression, and for information concerning our principles, and then turn to searching among ourselves and find so few who are able to give the required information, it is enough to bring down *showers* of SHAME and *discontentment* upon us, and arouse the sympathies of every Christian heart among us to at once take an advanced step in the matter of education. We believe that with a properly educated ministry, our strength in the Georgia and Alabama Conference would be doubled inside of two years, and that the work of organization would not be confined alone to rural districts; that crime would be less prevalent in both church and State; that denominational bigotry, intemperance, and such like, would cease to have prominence in the Christian Church. We also believe that with a better educated laity, the hallowed influence of Sunday-schools, prayer-meetings, and of literary education, among our children, would be felt with *terrible* power. And that every benevolent and charitable institution connected with our Church would be more creditably sustained, and the superstitious habit of starving and bankrupting the ministry would soon be numbered with the past. Then, when we should go to our business meetings, like this, the so-

oft-repeated request of our delegates (to let me off), who have managed so badly at home, previous to the meeting, that their business affairs are so *complicated* and left in such an *unqualified* condition that they cannot stay to engage in the work of the meeting and to see the result, would, also, be left to be plead by a more unworthy people. Brethren, we *must* EDUCATE! We must arise from our lethargy, laggardness and slothfulness, and through the power of education rise to nobler, grander and higher planes and on to eminence, thus proving ourselves worthy of the vocation wherein we walk; or else continue, as we have done in the past, to ignore the opportunities we have, and the blessings promised by education, thus lowering ourselves in the scale of grandeur and leave the best to be done by others of better sense and culture.

We would recommend that this Conference appoint a committee consisting of one from each church composing the same, whose duty it shall be to take collections in their respective churches at least once a quarter, and make reports to their Secretary, who shall be elected from their number, who shall also be Treasurer; and as soon as a sufficient amount shall have been raised to authorize the establishment of a school of high grade; and that when such shall be the case, this committee take the matter in hand and establish said school somewhere near the center of the churches composing the same, and that good and efficient teachers be selected from the Christian Church, to be put on salaries, which shall be raised by the patrons of said school, assisted by the different churches composing the Georgia and Alabama Conference. We would also recommend that a suitable bond be provided for the Secretary-Treasurer or said Committee.

We further recommend that until said school shall have been put in operation, our young men desiring to enter the ministry attend Elon College, N. C., and that our people read the choicest literary and religious books, the Bible and the *Christian Sun*, as the safest and best means of education.

Education never made
A bigot nor a fool,
But our usefulness will fade
If we neglect our school.

C. M. DOLLAR.

Discussed by Revs. C. M. Dollar, J. W. Elder, J. B. Orr, T. H. Elder, Bro. W. H. Chewning, and Rev. P. T. Klapp. Adopted.

On motion, a Committee was appointed to look after the school interest and take some permanent steps to build up a high school in the bounds of the Georgia and Alabama Conference; committee, H. W. Elder, C. M. Dollar, J. W. Manning, and S. N. Sledge.

On motion, adjourned for preaching by Rev. P. T. Klapp.

Refreshments.

AFTERNOON SESSION—2 P. M.

President in the chair. Prayer by Rev. W. B. Knight.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We, your Committee, having examined the *Christian Sun*, published by Rev. Dr. J. P. Barrett, and the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*, published by Rev. Dr. J. T. Watson, our Church organs; also the *Spirit and Life*, published monthly by Brother Black, and the *American Christian*, and having been favorably impressed with the same, would recommend them to this body as worthy of their support. We, as a people, should read more and keep ourselves better posted in the various enterprises of the church.

J. D. ELDER, *Chairman*.
C. M. DOLLAR.
T. H. ELDER.

Discussed by H. W. Elder, J. W. Elder, Sr., J. D. Elder, J. W. Manning, T. H. Elder, P. T. Klapp. Adopted.

REPORT ON STANDING OF THE MINISTRY.

We, your Committee on the Standing of the Ministry, beg leave to report the following:

We find all of our Ministers in good spirit and standing, and all doing their work as faithfully as circumstances will allow.

C. M. DOLLAR.
W. R. KNIGHT.

Adopted.

REPORT ON STANDING OF THE CHURCHES.

We, your Committee on Standing of the Churches, find all the churches in good standing, as far as we know, spiritually.

J. W. ELDER, *Chairman.*

Discussed by T. H. Elder, J. D. Elder, E. M. Gay, J. W. Elder, Jr., P. T. Klapp. Adopted.

On motion, adjourned until Saturday, 8 A. M.

THIRD DAY—8 A. M.

Singing and prayer by Rev. J. D. Elder.

Minutes read and approved.

Ministerial reports handed in, read and adopted, with the exception of Rev. Jubilee Smith's.

On motion, each speaker was limited to five minutes.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We, your Committee on Temperance, beg to submit the following:

This cause is in a better condition than ever before, yet it is a deadly evil in many portions of our Confereuce. We urge upon our ministers to abstain from intoxicating liquors, and also beg them to abstain from the use of tobacco. Then they can have a better opportunity to lead the church and the world from the woeful curse of intemperance.

H. W. ELDER,
W. H. CHEWNING,
C. M. DOLLAR,
Committee.

Discussed by J. W. Elder, Sr., J. B. Orr, S. N. Sledge, J. W. Manning, M. D. Chewning, and C. M. Dollar. Adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We submit the following:

We have had no business to come before us. There was, however, one application for license, but failed to reach us until the sitting of this body, now in session, so it was turned over to the Committee on Examination.

J. D. ELDER, *Chairman.*

Adopted.

REPORT ON EXAMINATION.

We, your Committee on Examination, beg leave to submit the following:

We have considered the application of B. W. Davis, and, after mature consideration, we think it advisable to refer this application to the Executive Committee to be considered at the District meeting which meets in the settlement of Brother Davis.

In the case of the recommendation of Brother J. B. Orr, we have not only examined him, as required by the government of the Christian Church, but have been with him in meetings and heard him preach regularly since he received license, and have seen his influence. We can unhesitatingly recommend his ordination.

J. D. ELDER, *Chairman.*
M. D. CHEWNING.
J. W. ELDER.

Adopted.

Appointed on Ordination, C. M. Dollar, M. D. Chewning, and J. D. Elder.

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

We, your Committee on Sunday-schools, beg leave to make the following report:

That we see this part of the church work most sadly neglected in this Conference. We think the Sunday-school cause is improving in our Conference; nearly all of the churches have a Sunday-school, but this part of church work is not what it should be, and we urge our pastors to be more faithful in advocating this cause, and that lay members work more faithfully for it, too, as we believe the moral training of our children a duty.

S. N. SLEDGE.
J. W. ELDER, Sr.
H. O. WALLACE.

Discussed by C. M. Dollar, S. N. Sledge, and W. B. Knight. Adopted.

Twenty-five dollars Minute money handed in from the several churches.

On motion, adjourned for preaching, by Rev. P. T. Klapp.

Refreshments.

AFTERNOON SESSION—2 P. M.

President in the chair.

Brother John House, from Center Point, was enrolled as a delegate.

Committee on Ordination proceeded to ordain J. B. Orr.

Brother J. M. Carpenter was permitted to return home on account of sickness.

HOME MISSION REPORT.

We, your Committee on Home Missions, beg to submit the following:

We find that our Home Mission work has been very successful the past year. Our Missionary has preached one hundred and forty-two sermons; delivered six exhortations; received into the Church eighty-seven; baptized forty-nine; married six couples; preached seven funerals; traveled 1,730 miles; paid railroad expenses, $5.35; paid ferriage, $1.15; total paid out, $6.70; Conference paid $93; raised by other means, $20.59; total, $113.59; constituted two churches. The churches in the central part of the Conference raised $92.50 for Home Mission purposes. We recommend that Rev. J. D. Elder be continued in the

Home Mission work of our Conference, with the privilege of taking charge of two churches within the bounds of this Conference.

J. W. MANNING,
E. M. GAY,
C. C. HODGES,
H. W. ELDER,
Committee.

P. S.—We recommend that the central part of this Conference raise $150, to be equally divided between the churches comprising this part of the Conference. Providence Chapel, $15.88; New Hope, $45.12; Antioch, $12.48; Macedonia, $4.32; Beulah, $17.28; New Harmony, $13.60; Pleasant Grove, $12.96; Rock Spring, $9.92; Union Grove, $4.16; McGuire's Chapel, $5.60; Mt. Zion, $5.60; Christiana, $4.80; Center Point, $2.08.

J. W. MANNING, *Chairman*

Discussed by H. W. Eller, T. H. Eller, P. T. Klapp, E. M. Gay, S. N. Sledge, J. W. Eller, Sr. Adopted.

On motion, each minister is required to visit each member of his church as soon as he can after Conference is over and raise the Home Mission fund.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We, your Committee on Foreign Missions, beg leave to report the following:

WHEREAS, The Christians have been slow to accept the full commission of preaching the Gospel in all the world to every creature, and more especially we have been slower than all the rest; and

WHEREAS, our prosperity has been detained, and our borders are comparatively small, because we were not obedient to our Lord's full command; be it

Resolved, 1, That we require our pastors to preach and inform their congregations of the great necessity of a hearty support in the Foreign Mission work.

2. That each pastor appoint some suitable young men and women in each of his charges to raise money for said purpose.

3. That we require each pastor to make special effort to secure not less than the following amounts from their churches, viz.: Providence, $2.50; New Hope, $5.00; Liberty, $1.00; Antioch, $2.00; Macedonia, $1.00; Beulah, $3.00; New Harmony, $1.50; Bethel, $1.00; Christiana, $2.00; Pleasant Grove, $2.00; Rock Spring, $1.50; Union Grove, $1.00; McGuire's Chapel, $1.00; Mt. Zion, $1.25.

J. W. ELDER,
M. D. CHEWNING.
C. M. DOLLAR,
Committee.

Ably discussed by Revs. P. T. Klapp and C. M. Dollar. Adopted.

A collection was taken for Foreign Missions, which resulted in $8.25.

On motion, the next Conference will be held with New Hope Church, beginning Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1892.

Rev. J. B. Orr was appointed to preach the introductory sermon, and G. D. Hunt, alternate.

Two fervent prayers were offered for the speedy recovery of Rev. G. D. Hunt.

Two dollars and twenty-five cents was given to Foreign Mission work, in the name of Rev. G. D. Hunt, by the Conference.

Rev. C. M. Dollar put in a dollar, in his name, to the Foreign Mission work.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received for Minutes		$ 25 00
" " Home Missions		115 55
" " Foreign Missions		11 25
Total		$151 80
Paid for Minutes, J. P. Barrett	$ 25 00	
" Home Missions, J. D. Elder	115 55	
" Foreign Missions, P. T. Klapp	11 25	
Total		$151 80

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Education—G. D. Hunt, C. M. Dollar, and J. B. Orr.
Examination—J. D. Elder, W R. Knight, and M. D. Chewning.
Sabbath-schools—E. L. Mann, S. N. Sledge, and J. W. Elder.
Temperance—J. W. Elder, Jr., J. W. Manning, and E. M. Gay.
Executive—J. D. Elder, T. H. Elder, and M. F. Sett.
Standing of the Churches—W. R. Knight, H. O. Wallace, and J. L. Elder.
Standing of the Ministry—H. W. Elder, C. M. Dollar, and J. W. Elder, Jr.
Home Missions—G. D. Hunt, C. M. Dollar, H. W. Elder, and E. M. Gay.
Foreign Missions—J. D. Elder, C. M. Dollar, and J. W. Manning.
Religious Literature—H. W. Elder, J. P. Elder, and C. M. Dollar.

[Our Conference was requested to raise $125 Home Mission money this year, and the Treasurer's report shows a deficiency of a few dollars. The deficiency has been pledged for, but not paid in.—SECRETARY.]

On motion, adjourned to meet at the appointed place, Thursday, 10 A. M., before the first Sunday in October, 1892.

J. D. ELDER, President.

H. W. ELDER, Secretary.

APPENDIX.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That we, the members of the Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference, tender our hearty and sincere thanks to the people of this community for the generous and hospitable manner in which they have entertained us during the present session. Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

We, your Committeee on Moral Reform, beg leave to report that we find good morals gaining ground throughout our Conference, but there is room for moral improvement.

J. B. ORR, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON SCHOOLS.

We, your Committee on arrangement of a plan for a high school beg leave to submit the following plan for the present, to-wit:

As New Hope Church is the oldest and strongest church in the Conference, and having a good and comfortable school-house near completion, and it also being nearer the center of the Conference, that the brethren and friends of that school correspond with teachers of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference, and if the services of a suitable person can be secured that they shall employ him on a salary to be paid by the patrons of the same, assisted by the Christian Church at large.

C. M. DOLLAR.
J. W. MANNING.
S. N. SLEDGE.
H. W. ELDER.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES AND PASTORS.	No. last session.	Received since.	Dismissed.	Withdrawn.	Died.	Expelled.	Whole number.	No. in S. School.	Amt. paid Pastor.	Other Purposes.	Totals.	Value of Church Property.
Providence Chapel, Jubilee Smith	92	1	--	--	--	--	93	--	------	------	------	$1,000 00
New Hope, J. P. Elder	243	45	1	--	2	3	282	50	$84 85	$70 00	$154 85	1,500 00
Antioch, J. W. Elder	69	11	--	4	2	--	78	36	17 25	14 60	31 90	300 00
Macedonia, J. L. Neese	15	13	--	--	1	--	27	42	------	4 50	4 50	---------
Beulah, T. H. Elder	113	9	6	--	1	7	108	35	50 00	18 60	68 60	700 00
New Harmony, J. W. Elder	64	21	--	--	--	--	85	--	50 00	10 00	60 00	100 00
Pleasant Grove, T. H. Elder	79	6	1	1	1	1	81	35	33 00	21 50	54 50	300 00
Rock Spring, C. M. Dollar	52	12	1	--	--	1	62	--	15 30	------	15 35	400 00
Union Grove, H. W. Elder	14	14	--	--	--	--	26	35	15 00	8 00	23 00	---------
McGuire's Chapel, G. D. Hurd	15	20	--	--	--	--	35	--	------	35 00	35 00	100 00
Mt. Zion, W. R. Knight	20	15	--	--	--	--	35	--	------	------	------	---------
Christiana, J. D. Elder	----	31	--	--	--	--	31	--	------	------	------	---------
Center Point, J. D. Elder	----	13	--	--	--	--	13	--	------	------	------	---------

(Some of the churches were not represented, therefore we cannot give their statistics. We hope the day is not far ahead when our statistical table will present a more encouraging picture.—*H. W. Elder.*)

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

DEEP RIVER CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE.

BROWN'S CHAPEL, MOORE CO., N. C.,
November 5th, 1891.

The Deep River Christian Conference met here to-day in its twenty-fifth annual session, and was called to order by Rev. H. A. Albright, President of last session.

Religious exercises conducted by Rev. H. T. Moffitt.

The following ministers and lay delegates were present at the organization.

ELDERS—W. B. Richardson, H. A. Albright, E. H. Jarrell, S. H. Way, H. T. Moffitt, J. S. Lawrence, W. M. Craven, W. W. Lawrence, W. R. Brown, W. W. Heyworth,* J. A. Webster, A. S. Nelson,* and J. A. Scott.*

LICENTIATES—W. N. Hayes,* H. Vumcannon,* B. F. Kerns, J. R. Comer,* and J. A. Cooper.

CHURCHES AND DELEGATES.

Pleasant Grove: L. E. Brady, J. F. Cavness,* and J. W. Brady.* *Parks' Cross Roads:* J. A. Barker and H. C. Vestal. *Smithwood:* D. F. Way and P. E. Humble. *Pleasant Ridge:* E. W. Brown and S. E. Allen. *New Center:* Daniel Dunlap and L. Owen. *New Bear Creek:* Not represented. *Shady Grove:* G. W. Cochran and Hiram Freeman. *Shiloh:* J. A. Albright and Joseph Craven. *Antioch:* W. A. C. Brady and W. W. Brady. *Staley:* Not represented. *Christian Union:* M. A. Cagle and M. A. McNeill. *Patterson's Grove:* Not represented. *Union Grove:* E. L. Brown and Hartwell Way. *Big Oak:* J. T. Morgan and J. C. Britt. *Macedonia:* Not represented. *Spoon's Chapel:* J. C. Wright. *Mt Union:* M. E. Hamner and J. B. Nall. *St. John's:* Not represented. *Pleasant Union:* Not represented. *Brown's Chapel:* Bittian Saunders and N. Morgan.

A quorum being present, Conference went into the election of officers for this session.

H. T. Moffitt was chosen President, and in the absence of the Secretary, Bro. J. N. Cagle, H. C. Vestal was elected Secretary *pro tem.*

Business was suspended to listen to the annual address by Rev. E. H. Jarr from Nehemiah vi: 3: "I am doing a great work and cannot come down."

*Not present on the first day.

On motion of Rev. W. W. Lawrence, Rev. J. W. Patton, of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference, was invited to a seat in this body as a deliberative member. Brother Patton accepted the courtesy in an appropriate manner.

Vacancies in committees were filled as follows:

Foreign Missions—J. A. Barker: *Sabbath Schools*—H. A. Albright: *Temperance*—W. A. C. Brady and J. A. Cooper: *Religious Literature*—George Cochran and B. F. Kerns.

The Executive Committee submitted the following report:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your Committee report that no business has been transacted by them during the Conference year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. LAWRENCE.
W. W. HEYWORTH,
H. T. MOFFITT.
H. A. ALBRIGHT.

Conference selected Mt. Union as the place to hold its next session.

A motion to change the time of holding the session of our Conference to embrace the second Sabbath in October in the future was lost, and notice of reconsideration filed for to-morrow at 11:30 A. M.

The following schedule of business hours was adopted: Meet at 9 A. M. and adjourn at 12 M. for dinner; meet again at 1 P. M., and adjourn at will.

Adjourned to 9 A. M. to-morrow.

Singing, and prayer by Rev. W. B. Richardson.

SECOND DAY—9. A. M.

Conference called to order by President Moffitt.

Religious exercises by Rev. J. A. Cooper.

Minutes of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

The Committee on Sunday-schools made the following report:

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

We consider the Sabbath-school as one of the great helps of the church, and should receive our impartial attention and support. We are happy to report that the most of the churches in the bounds of our Conference have been engaged in this work. The number of teachers and officers engaged is over sixty-eight, and the number of pupils attending six hundred and twenty.

Further, we recommend for use in our schools the literature published at Dayton, Ohio. We urge upon the churches having no schools to put forth more earnest efforts to establish schools.

L. E. BRADY,
J. A. WEBSTER,
H. A. ALBRIGHT,
Committee.

After remarks by L. E. Brady, Rev. H. A. Albright and others, the report was adopted.

Conference decided to publish its minutes in the Christians' Annual, and $25.20 was raised to pay for 252 copies ordered

Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION—1 P. M.

Conference called to order as per adjournment.

The motion to reconsider the vote of yesterday in regard to the time of the meeting of the Conference was lost.

A letter was received from Rev. W. S. Long, President of Elon College, asking help for ministerial students. Letter referred to Committee on Education.

The Committee on Temperance submitted the following report, which was advocated by Elders Way and others, and adopted:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We are happy to say that the grand cause of temperance is gaining ground in our country. We find many strong advocates of it who are pressing the Bible truths with more zeal and energy than ever before, and the cause of temperance in the Deep River Conference is doing a great work for our cause, country and God. But we are pained to say that in many localities in our country, where education and the light of the gospel had not gone, the cause of temperance is trailing in the dust. Therefore, we, as Christians, should use our influence in favor of temperance in every possible way.

S. H. WAY, *Chairman.*

A collection of $18.70 was taken for educating young preachers; for Home Missions, $14.30; and for Foreign Missions, $11.19.

On motion, Rev. J. R. Comer was elected to deliver the annual address before the next session of this Conference. Alternate, Rev. W. W. Heyworth.

Rev. W. W. Heyworth and Brothers E. A. Moffitt and H. C. Vestal were elected fraternal messengers to the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference.

Adjourned to 9 A. M. to-morrow.

Singing and prayer by Rev. J. W. Patton.

THIRD DAY—9 A. M.

Conference called to order by the President.

Religious exercises by Rev. S. H. Way.

Minutes of yesterday's session read, corrected and approved.

On motion of Brother L. E. Brady, the Secretary was allowed $2.50 for expenses.

The Committee on Religious Literature made the following report:

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

WHEREAS, The literature we read has very much to do with directing our thoughts and the shaping of our destiny; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we recommend to our people a careful reading of the Bible, with all the helps throwing light upon it. Next to that we recommend that our people give a liberal support to the *Christian Sun*, and our literature published

at Dayton, Ohio. These are the great vehicles for the conveyance of religious truths on Christian teaching.

WE URGE UPON EVERY MINISTER IN CHARGE OF CHURCHES TO MAKE A STRONG EFFORT TO EXTEND THE CIRCULATION OF THE *Christian Sun* IN THEIR CHARGES.

W. B. RICHARDONS,
G. W. COCHRAN,
B. F. KERNS,
Committee.

After commendatory remarks by Revs. Richardson, Albright, Kearns, J. S. Lawrence, Heyworth, Brother E. A. Moffitt and others, was amended as above and adopted.

A collection for the benefit of Rev. A. S. Nelson, who is old and infirm, was taken, amounting to $7.80.

The following amounts were pledged by churches and individuals for the benefit of ministerial students: H. A. Albright, $1; H. T. Moffitt, $1; J. S. Lawrence $1, (paid); W. R. Brown, $1, (paid); L. E. Brady, $1; George W. Cochran, 25 cents, (paid); Hartwell Way, 25 cents, (paid); E. A. Moffitt, $1 Hiram Freeman, $2.50; Brown's Chapel, $2; Pleasant Ridge, $5; Mt. Union, $2; Patterson's Grove, $2; Union Grove, $2; Shiloh, $5; Thomas Brown, $1, (paid); Big Oak, $5; Parks' Cross Roads, $5; New Center, $1; Christian Union, $2; Macedonia, $2.

Adjourned for preaching by Rev. J. W. Patton.

AFTERNOON SESSION—1 P. M.

Conference met as per adjournment.

The Committee on Home Missions submitted the following report:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

We, your Committee, see the importance of this great work. In this very important work of the church we are glad to say that encouraging progress has been made during the past year, and it only goes to show that, with a united effort on the part of the ministers and laymen, that *much more* may be done for this grand cause. There is great need for more funds for this cause, and we are glad to see that our people, as a church, are becoming more enthused for this great work, and we urge that our ministers use all proper efforts in their congregations to raise as much money as they can for this great work. There are several points that need help, and we see no better way to widen our borders than to preach, talk and work for the mission cause.

We, therefore, recommend that each church be required to raise a certain amount of money by assessment or otherwise, as in your discretion may seem best.

The churches have made the following arrangements for pastoral service for next year. Pleasant Grove, no arrangement; Parks' Cross Roads, J. W. Patton; Smithwood, J. W. Patton; Pleasant Ridge, W. W. Heyworth; New Center, J. A. Webster; New Bear Creek, no arrangement; Brown's Chapel, J. S. Lawrence; Shady Grove, W. W Heyworth; Shiloh, E. H. Jarrell; Antioch, J. A. Webster; Staley, to be supplied by J. W. Patton; Christian Union, J. S. Lawrence; Patterson's Grove, W. B. Richardson; Pleasant Cross, H. A. Albright; Union Grove, J. W. Patton; Big Oak, H. A. Albright; Macedonia, J. A.

Webster; Mt. Union, E. H. Jarrell; St. John's, no arrangement; Spoon's Chapel, E. H. Jarrell.

W. R. BROWN,
E. A. MOFFITT,
C. D. WILLIAMSON,
Committee.

Report discussed by Revs. Brown, Richardson, Heyworth, Patton anp Albright, and Brothers E. A. Moffitt, J. R. Comer and others, and amended and adopted.

Delegates from Macedonia granted leave of absence for balance of session.

On motion, the Treasurer was ordered to pay over all the money for ministerial education to Brother J. R. Comer that may be at present in his hands.

The Committee on Foreign Missions submitted the following report:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS,

We are glad to state that our mission work in Japan is prospering under the labors of Revs. Jones and Rhoads, and their wives. We feel that we, as a Conference, have not come up to our duty in this grand work. We find that several of our churches have not heeded the requests made last year, while some have done more than was asked of them. We desire that each church raise for this purpose the following amounts: Brown's Chapel, $2; Antioch, $2; Pleasant Grove, $4; Park's Cross Roads, $6; Smithwood, $3; Staley, $2; Pleasant Ridge, $3; Pleasant Cross, $2; Union Grove, $3; New Center, $2; Christian Union, $2; Shady Grove, $3; Big Oak, $3; St. John, $2; Patterson's Grove, $2; Macedonia, $1; Mt. Union, $2; Spoon's Chapel, $1; Shiloh, $5. Also, we urge the pastors of the different churches to bring this cause before their churches and use every means to raise the assessment.

H. T. MOFFITT,
JAMES A. BARKER,
E. W. BROWN,
Committee.

Report discussed by Rev. W. W. Heyworth, and Bros. J. R. Comer, Hartwell, and Way, and adopted.

Bros. L. E. Brady and G. W. Cochran, and Rev. W. W. Lawrence were appointed an auditing committee.

The Finance Committee made the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We have examined the books of the Treasurer and find them to be correct.

L. E. BRADY,
GEORGE COCHRAN,
W. W. LAWRENCE,
Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

E. A. MOFFITT, *Treasurer, in account with Deep River Conference.*

1887.				
Oct.	8.	To amount on hand	$16 75	
Oct,	8.	To amount received from New Center	5 25	
1888.				
Apr.	28.	To amount from Shiloh church, public collection	8 01	
Apr.	28.	To amount received of H. T. Moffitt for 1888–'89	30 01	
			$60 01	
1889.				
May.	7.	By amount paid Adam Brown		$15 00
Nov.	4	By amount paid J. A. Webster		20 00
Nov.	14.	By amount paid E. H. Jarrell		10 00
Nov.	15.	By amount paid H. A. Albright		10 00
				$55 00
Nov.	16.	To amount received of H. T. Moffitt, Treas. *pro tem*	$10 00	
			$70 01	
Nov.	6.	By amount paid for minutes		$4 45
				$59 45
1891.				
Nov.	1.	To balance on hand	$10 56	
Nov.	6	Received of H. A. Albright	7 13	
Nov.	6.	Received of H. C. Vestal, Secretary *pro tem*	14 38	
Nov.	7.	Received from Pleasant Ridge	50	
			$32 57	
Nov.	1.	Foreign Mission fnnd on hand	$18 08	
Nov.	6.	Received of H. A. Albright	7 16	
Nov.	6.	Received of H. C. Vestal, Secretary *pro tem*	11 19	
Nov.	7.	Received from Pleasant Ridge church	1 61	
			$38 04	
Nov.	7.	Educational fund received at Conference	22 20	

E. A. MOFFITT, *Treasurer,*

The Committee on Education submitted the following report:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The educational interests of the Christian Church were never in so hopeful a condition as at present. We call your attention to our educational interests in general. Union Christian College at Marion, Indiana, and Antioch College, at Yellow Springs, Ohio, are both institutions of high grade, and are in a prosperous condition. Storkey Seminary, at Eddytown, N. Y., is our oldest institution of learning, and is also a school of high grade and literary merit. The Christian Biblical Institute, at Stanfordville, N. Y., is a theological school of the Christian church. The Suffolk Collegiate Institute is a school of high grade. Elon College, located in Alamance county, N. C., deserves a liberal support at our hands.

Brethren S. L. Moffitt, M. A. Baldwin, H. F. Way and M. E. Hammer have been before us; we recommend that they pursue their studies in the biblical class. Brothers D. R. Stinson and B. S. Carenuss were recommended from their churches for licensure, but were not present. Their cases were referred to the Executive Committee.

W. W. LAWRENCE,
H. T. MOFFITT,
W. R. BROWN,
H. A. ALBRIGHT,
Committee.

Report discussed by Revs. J. S. Lawrence. W. W. Lawrence and brother E. A. Moffitt, and adopted.

Rev. H. A. Albright was appointed to take charge of the work at Randleman; and Conference appropriated $20 for his benefit, to be paid quarterly.

Rev. J. A. Webster was allowed $10 to assist him in his labors at Pleasant Union during the next year.

Rev. W. W. Lawrence offered the following:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due, and are hereby tendered, to the brethren and friends of this vicinity for the very hospitable manner in which they have entertained them during this session.

The President announced the following standing committees:

Executive.—Revs. H. A. Albright, W. W. Lawrence and W. R. Brown. Report first day at 1:30 p. m.

Foreign Missions.—Bros E. A. Moffitt, L. E. Brady, John E. Albright and Rev. W. B. Richardson. Report first day at 3:00 p. m.

Sabbath-Schools.—Revs. W. W. Heyworth, J. S. Lawrence, E. H. Jarrell and Bro. Hiram Freeman. Report second day at 10:00 a. m.

Temperance.—Revs. J. A. Webster, S. H. Way, and Bros. M. A. Cagle and P. C. Humble Report second day at 11:00 a. m.

Home Missions.—J. R. Parke, H. T. Moffitt, B. F. Kerns and J. R. Comer. Report third day at 9:30 a. m.

Religious Literature.—Rev. J. S. Lawrence, Bros. J. R. Parke, W. E. Brown and C. H. Welch. Report third day at 11:00 a m.

Education.—Revs. H. A. Albright, W. R. Brown and W. W. Heyworth. Report third day at 2:00 p. m.

A public collection was ordered for to-morrow, and the money to be appropriated to general purposes.

Conference adjourned to meet with the church at Mt. Union, Moore county, N. C., Thursday, at 12:00 m., before the second Sunday in November, 1892.

Closing religious exercises by Rev. H. A. Albright.

H. T. MOFFITT, *President.*

H. C. VESTAL, *Secretary pro tem.*

STATISTICAL REPORT.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	No. reported last session	Rec'ed since.	Died since.	Expelled.	Removed.	Present Membership.	Amount paid Pastor.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Other Purposes.	Value of Church Property.
Pleasant Grove	J. S. Lawrence	219	--	2	--	2	215	$13.60	$ 1.00	$ .90	$ 2.00	$ ------	$ 800.00
Park's Cross Roads	J. W. Patton	102	5	2	--	3	102	85 00	2.42	3 41	------	------	1,000.00
Brown's Chapel	J. S. Lawrence	87	--	2	2	--	83	15.00	1.60	1.00	------	------	300 00
Macedonia	J. A. Webster	----	--	--	--	--	28	------	1.00	1.00	------	------	----------
Pleasant Ridge	W. R. Brown	128	--	--	--	3	125	19.20	.50	1 61	5.00	------	700 00
Shady Grove	H. A. Albright	85	--	1	1	--	83	33 00	4.10	3.00	5.00	3 00	400.00
Mt. Union	E. H. Jarrell	----	15	--	4	--	50	57.75	------	------	------	------	----------
Smithwood	J. W. Patton	65	2	--	--	--	67	50.00	2.00	------	10.00	26.00	500.00
Shiloh	J. S Lawrence	155	7	3	2	1	156	23 00	------	------	------	------	800.00
Christian Union	J. S. Lawrence	----	--	--	--	1	47	15 00	1.25	------	------	------	----------
Patterson's Grove	W. B. Richardson	27	--	--	--	3	24	22.20	------	1.25	------	26.30	500.00
Union Grove	J. W. Patton	85	9	--	--	1	93	50.00	------	------	------	5.00	800 00
Big Oak	H. A. Albright	65	9	1	1	--	72	31.85	3.53	3.00	------	------	500 00
New Center	J. A. Webster	94	15	3	--	--	106	14.95	1.50	1.63	------	------	400.00
Antioch	J. A. Webster	25	--	--	--	--	25	7.00	------	2.00	------	2.30	200.00
New Bear Creek		----	--	--	--	--	----	------	------	------	------	------	----------
Staley	J. W. Patton	----	--	--	--	--	----	------	------	------	------	------	----------
Pleasant Union	E. H. Jarrell	----	--	--	--	--	----	------	------	------	------	------	----------
St. John	W. B. Richardson	----	--	--	--	--	----	------	------	------	------	------	----------

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

SEVENTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

FRANKLIN, VA., October 27, 1891.

The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference assembled in the Christian church here to-day in its seventy-first annual session. Rev. W. W. Staley, President of last session, called the body to order.

In the absence of the Secretary, Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., was requested to act as Secretary *pro tem.*

The roll of ministers and churches was called, with the following responses:

ELDERS.—S. S. Barrett, J. P. Barrett, J. W. Barrett, H. H. Butler, J. T. Kitchen, W. W. Staley.

LICENTIATES.—C. C. Peel, N. G. Newman.

CHURCHES.—*Antioch:* D. B. Roberts, Joseph A. Barrett; *Berea* (Norfolk county): J. J. Hall, G. L. Hanbury; *Berkley:* G. D. DeBaun, J. A. McCloud, Jr.; *Bethany:* William Beale, J. Simeon Cobb; *Cypress Chapel:* Dr. C. J. Riddick, Napoleon Brothers and W. A. Kerg: *Damascus:* G. W. Peel, J. R. Hinton; *Holland:* J. W. Ballard; *Holy Neck:* P. H. Lee, D. L. Darden, W. T. Jones and H. A. Rawls; *Mt. Carmel:* I. W. Duck, Junius C. Johnson; *Mt. Zion:* G. W. Post; *Oakland:* J. E. White, A. L. Saunders; *Providence:* R. A. Hyslop; *Union* (Southampton county): E. J, Joyner, M. L. Beale; *Windsor:* F. C. Roberts.

Delegates Chas. H. Harris, from Spring Hill, and C. T. Joyner, from Windsor. were enrolled.

The election of officers being next in order, Rev. W. W. Staley was unanimously elected President for this session. Bro. T. J. Lawrence was elected Standing Secretary to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Rev. R. A. Ricks. Rev. J. W. Barrett was elected Assistant Secretary.

The time having arrived for the delivery of the annual address, and Dr. C. J. Jones, of Norfolk, who was to deliver same, being absent, the President stated that he had a letter from Dr. Jones stating that important church work detained him in Norfolk to-day, but that he could deliver the address to-morrow night. On motion it was decided to hear the address at that time.

On motion, the rules that governed the last session were adopted for the use of the present session.

The following delegates arrived and were enrolled:

Liberty Spring: T. W. Savage, B. R. Doughty; *Berea* (Nansemond county): Thos. R. Gaskins, F. Winner; *Providence:* F. L. Portlock; *Suffolk:* S. S. Hosier; *Franklin:* J. W. Magee; *Mt. Carmel:* N. F. Bradshaw.

Rev. M. L. Hurley arrived and was enrolled.

Revs. J. W. S. Robins and T. J. Wray, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, were invited to seats as deliberative members.

Reports of ministers were called for and responded to by the following:

J. P. Barrett, S. S. Barrett, H. H. Butler, J. W. Barrett, M. W. Butler, J. T. Kitchen, N. G. Newman, C. C. Peel, W. W. Staley.

The following delegates were enrolled:

Johnson's Grove: Jethro Butler, Alex. Bradshaw; *Antioch:* Thos. J. Marshall; *Franklin:* D. P. Rawls.

Church reports were next called for.

On motion, Rev. N. G. Newman was elected to receive funds of the churches, and directed to report finances to this body. Bro. F. L. Portlock was appointed to assist in the work.

The Secretary was instructed to read the church reports, and pending the reading of same Conference adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference convened and was called to order by the President.

Rev. W. T. Herndon, of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

The reading of church reports was resumed and finished.

Reports of fraternal messengers were called for and responded to as follows:

Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., had attended the Deep River Conference. Rev. H. H. Butler, on account of sickness, had not attended the Virginia Valley Conference; also, for same reason, Rev. M. L. Hurley had not attended the Georgia and Alabama Conference.

Fraternal messengers were elected as follows:

To the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, Rev. W. W. Staley. To the Deep River Conference, Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D. To the Virginia Valley Conference, Revs. H. H. Butler and J. T. Kitchen. To the Georgia and Alabama Conference, Rev. M. L. Hurley.

Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., was elected to deliver the annual address next session, with Rev. M. W. Butler as alternate.

Dr. C. J. Riddick and J. R. Hinton were added to the Committee on Religious Literature.

I. W. Duck and Jos. A. Barrett were appointed to fill vacancies on Committee on Sabbath-Schools.

The following were appointed a Committee on Memoirs, viz.: Revs. J. P. Barrett, D. D., H. H. Butler and W. W. Staley.

F. L. Portlock was added to the Committee on Temperance.

The Executive Committee stated, through Rev. W. W, Staley, that no business had claimed their attention since last session, and consequently they had no report to make.

The pastor and delegates of this church were appointed a Committee on Religious Exercises.

E. E. Holland, F. C. Roberts and T. W. Savage were appointed a Committee on Finance.

On motion, Conference adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

SECOND DAY.

Conference convened and was called to order by the President. Prayer by Rev. H. H. Butler. Roll of ministers and churches was called.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Revs. W. S. Long, D. D., and J. W. Patton, of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference being invited to seats as deliberative members, responded in fitting remarks.

Reports of Ministers were called for and responded to by the following: Elders C. J. Jones, Jr., and R. H. Holland.

The following churches handed in reports, and same were read by the Secretary, viz.: Isle of Wight Court House, Holland, Barrett's, and Windsor.

Delegates A. J. Drake, from Burton's Grove, and R. H. Rollins, from Barrett's, arrived and were enrolled.

Berea (Norfolk County) was selected as the place for Conference to hold its next annual session.

The following delegates arrived and were enrolled:

Isle of Wight Court House—W. A. Pierce, J. T. Turner; *Holland*—W. T. Parker.

The report of the Committee on Temperance was called for and submitted. Discussed by Rev. J. T. Kitchen, F. L. Portlock, J. C. Johnson, Rev. H. H. Butler, J. A. McCloud, Jr., Rev. C. J. Jones, Jr., Rev. R. H. Holland, Rev. S. S. Barrett, G. D. DeBaun, Revs. W. T. Herndon and W. S. Long, D. D.

On motion, the report was referred back to the committee for revision.

Delegates arrived and were enrolled as follows:

Suffolk—W. H. Jones, Jr., E. E. Holland. *Bethlehem*—Darius King. *Antioch*—S. G. Barrett. *Eure's*—John S. Felton. *Ivor*—G. W. Brittle, A. S. Brittle.

Norfolk Mission was represented by Col. A. Savage and J. W. Hall.

Rev. C. J. Jones, D. D., general evangelist of the Christian Church, and Rev. J. L. McCutcheon, of the Baptist Church, were invited to seats as deliberative members.

The Committee on Sabbath-Schools submitted their report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SABBATH-SCHOOLS.

The Christian Church for years has been interested in the Sabbath-school work, and we are glad to report that a greater interest is manifested now than ever before. Grand strides forward have been made in this part of our work

during the past ten years. Ten years ago but few of our schools were evergreen; now a large majority of them are. The greater number of our schools now use our own books and papers, while not many years ago but few of them used our own literature. The Sunday-school Convention of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference now has a Sunday-school missionary in the field, from whose labors we are hoping and praying for encouraging results. Let us support and encourage him in every way possible.

While there are many things in connection with this work to encourage us, still there are many things discouraging. Many of our schools are dismissed without any religious form whatever. We believe every school ought to be dismissed with an invocation of the blessings of God upon the officers, teachers and scholars, that they may be kept from participation in the evils of this world and true to Christ.

Every school ought to set apart a Children's Day, that the importance of liberality may be impressed upon them, and that a special effort may be made to raise money to support our missionary and to establish Sunday-schools in destitute places. Many of our Sabbath-schools have very little or no library. We believe every school ought to have a well selected library, that the minds of both old and young may be fed upon good and wholesome food.

Then we recommend—

First. That our Sunday-schools be urged to use our own literature.

Second. That each school provide as large and well-selected a library as possible, for the use of teachers and scholars.

Third. That special attention be given in every school to the establishing of a Children's Day, that sufficient means may be raised to do a great work in carrying the gospel to the destitute.

Fourth. We recommend liberality as one of the most important factors in the success of any school.

Fifth. That all our schools be dismissed with a divine invocation.

JAY W. BARRETT,
I. W. DUCK,
Committee.

After discussion by Rev. J. W. Barrett, Rev. H. H. Butler and D. J. Bowden, the report was adopted.

It was announced that Dr. Jones would deliver the annual address to-day at 2 o'clock, instead of to-night as before recorded.

The Treasurer submitted his report, and same was referred to the Finance Committee.

Conference then adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

After the eloquent address of Dr. C. J. Jones, Conference resumed business, with the President in the chair.

It was announced that Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., President of Elon College, would preach at the Baptist church to-night.

The Committee on Temperance submitted its report, which, on motion, was adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your undersigned Committee on Temperance beg leave to submit the following report, to-wit:

This Conference has adopted reports from time to time on the subject of temperance, and we believe that some good has been accomplished thereby; but

we regret that there has not been as much interest in this great work as we should be pleased to report.

While our duty in this work is not always easily performed, and while the subject of temperance is not always a popular one, every Christian should feel no delicacy in discussing it; and all should feel it one of their important duties to do all in their power to further its cause. We believe, further, that great good might be accomplished by the ladies if they would exert more influence in the matter of total abstinence, and be more intolerant in regard to the habit of moderate drinking as practiced by the gentlemen of their acquaintance.

After surveying all the circumstances by which the church is surrounded, we are glad to report progress in the temperance work; and where success has not been as complete as we may have hoped, we should not be discouraged, but seek more earnestly to know our duty, and *knowing* it, pray God to give us grace to *do* it. "If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them."

This Committee would respectfully urge that the laymen would earnestly co-operate with the ministry in the grand work of temperance, and thus gain public sentiment on the side of right, and glorious success must crown our efforts.

J. T. KITCHEN,
F. L. PORTLOCK,
R. A. HYSLOP,
Committee.

There was considerable discussion at this point relative to this Conference approving the plan of "The Missionary Convention," as adopted by the General Convention, and also as regards changes in form of government.

Pending the consideration of this matter, Conference, on motion, adjourned to meet to-night at 7:30 o'clock.

NIGHT SESSION.

After religious exercises, Conference met and was called to order by the President.

On motion of E. E. Holland, the paper offered by Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., at the last session of the General Convention of the Christian Church on the "Better Organization of the Church," adopted by said Convention and referred to the several Conferences for their adoption, was adopted by the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference with the following amendments thereto:

AMENDMENT 1. All funds raised for Ministerial Education, Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Church Extension, Publication and Colportage by each Conference shall be expended under the direction of the Conference.

AMENDMENT 2. The Missionary Convention shall be composed of delegates from Christian Conferences, Churches, Sunday-schools, Missionary Societies, or individual members, within the Christian Church, on a basis of one delegate for each ten dollars actually paid into the Treasury of the Convention for each year preceding the session in which said delegates shall be enrolled, for the support of the church enterprises fostered by said Convention; except that it shall only be necessary to pay the sum of ten dollars for the year preceding the first meeting of the Convention in order to be admitted as a delegate in said first meeting of said Convention.

AMENDMENT 3. The Convention shall meet at the same place at which the General Convention of the Christian Church meets, and as often as said Convention meets, and shall hold its first meeting on some day during the session of the next General Convention of the Christian Church.

The following resolution was adopted:

"That this Conference tenders a vote of thanks to Dr. Jones for his excellent address, and request the same for publication in the *Sun*."

The following were elected delegates to the General Convention.

ELDERS.—J. P. Barrett, D. D., M. L. Hurley, H. H. Butler, C. J. Jones, Jr., W. W. Staley. ALTERNATES.—J. T. Kitchen, M. W. Butler, N. G. Newman, C. C. Peel, J. W. Barrett.

LAYMEN.—E. E. Holland, F. L. Portlock, T. J. Lawrence, W. J. Lee, Dr. C. J. Riddick. ALTERNATES.—Capt. P. H. Lee, R. A. Hyslop, J. R. Hinton, Capt. T. R. Gaskins, D. L. Darden.

The Committee on Foreign Missions submitted their report. Discussed by Rev. M. L. Hurley, Rev. J. W. Barrett, R. A. Hyslop, Rev. C. C. Peel, Rev. C. J. Jones, Jr., Rev. H. H. Butler, G. W. Post, D. P. Rawls. After some changes in the assessment of the churches, the report was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Five long years have passed away since our missionaries, Rev. D. F. Jones and wife, entered the foreign field. About two years ago they were joined by Rev. H. J. Rhodes and wife, but Sister Rhodes, with her children, has since returned to America. Bros. Jones and Rhodes have been faithful workers, and the Lord has greatly blessed their labors. We have now in Japan four organized churches, with twenty stations, making thirty-three regular preaching places—churches and stations. There are also seven Sabbath-schools, a Young Men's Christian Society, besides regular services held specially for women and children. There is also a theological class taught by Bro. Rhodes. Our present working force consists of nine—Rev. D. F. Jones and wife, Rev. H. J. Rhodes, and six native helpers. In addition to the above, we have three interpreters and two Bible women. During the past five years $9,597.57 have been raised for the foreign work, and $8,993.98 have been expended, leaving a balance in hand of $604.59. It will take more than three thousand dollars to meet the real needs of our foreign work the present year. About one-fifth of that amount is in hand, Brethren, what is to be done? How shall the deficiency be met? is the great question of the hour.

We recommend the following assessments for the coming year: Antioch, $15; Barrett's, $5; Berea (Nansemond), $15; Berea (Norfolk), $10; Burton's Grove, $7; Berkley, $10; Bethany, $10; Bethlehem, $12; Centerville, $4; Cypress Chapel, $15; Damascus, $10; Eure's, $6; Franklin, $10; Hebron. $6; Holy Neck, $18; Ivor, $5; Johnson's Grove, $5; Liberty Spring, $8; Mount Carmel, $10; New Lebanon, $4; Oakland, $6; Providence, $15; Spring Hill, $10; Suffolk, $15; Union (Southampton), $5; Union (Surry), $5; Waverly, $6; Windsor, $6; Mount Zion, $10.

M. L. HURLEY,
H. H. BUTLER,
W. A. KING,
Committee.

A collection was taken up for the benefit of the Foreign Mission Fund, and $16.22 was received. It was ordered that the amount be handed over to Rev. N. G. Newman and placed with the other funds of Foreign Missions.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. C. J. Jones, Jr., and adopted:

WHEREAS, to all appearances the managers of the World's Fair propose to open the Exposition on Sundays; be it

Resolved, That this Conference heartily endorse a petition to them denouncing the act, and calling for the observance of our Sabbath.

Conference, on motion, adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

THIRD DAY.

Conference met and was called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. J. T. Kitchen.

Roll called, and minutes of yesterday's session, and of last night, read and approved.

A committee of three, consisting of Rev. H. H. Butler, Rev. C. J. Jones, Jr., and F. L. Portlock, were appointed to investigate as to the position and condition of Sharon Christian Church.

The Committee on Home Missions submitted their report.

Discussed by Rev. M. L. Hurley, I. W. Duck, R. A. Hyslop, Rev. N. G. Newman, Capt. P. H. Lee, and Rev. M. W. Butler.

The report, after some slight change, was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

There have been only two points under the care of your Committee during the past Conference year. Isle of Wight Court House and the Norfolk Mission. The church at the Court House, under the efficient labors of Rev. J. T. Kitchen, is succeeding remarkably well. They have a splendid house of worship nearing completion, with a membership of fifty-three. The prospects before this church are bright, and everything encouraging. The work at the Norfolk Mission is also doing well. Services are held regularly by Rev. Dr. Jones, the pastor, with very happy and gratifying results. Quite a number have joined the Mission Band during the past year. They number now seventy interesting members. They have a successful Sabbath-school numbering 127, with Bro. A. M. Eley as Superintendent, with 300 volumes in the library. They have received and paid out during the past year $1,908.25. This money was received as follows:

From Mission Board A. C. C.	$ 600.00
" Eastern Virginia Christian Conference	400.00
" Local membership and donations	908.23
	$1,908.23
We now have on hand to the credit of our Home Mission fund, balance from last year	$ 32.48
Collection for Conference year, 1891	664.00
Making a total of	$ 696.48

We recommend the following:

1. That one hundred and twenty-five dollars be appropriated to the work at Isle of Wight Court House to aid in the support of the pastor for the coming year, the same to be paid quarterly.

2. That four hundred dollars be appropriated to aid in the support of the pastor of the Norfolk Mission the coming year, the same to be paid to Treasurer of Norfolk Mission quarterly.

3. That any minister receiving aid from our Mission Fund shall be required to make quarterly reports to the chairman of the Home Mission Committee of this Conference, showing the condition of the work.

4. We recommend the following assessments for the ensuing year: Antioch, $75; Barrett's, $10; Bethany, $35; Bethlehem, $40; Berkley, $20; Berea (Nansemond), $80; Berea (Norfolk), $25; Burton's Grove, $10; Centreville, $5; Cypress Chapel, $60; Damascus, $35: Eure's, $10; Franklin, $10; Hebron, $10;

Holy Neck, $90; Isle of Wight Court House, $5; Ivor, $5; Johnson's Grove, $10; Liberty Spring, $30; Mt. Carmel, $35; New Lebanon, $10; Mt. Zion, $15; Oakland, $25; Providence, $25; Spring Hill, $40; Suffolk, $75; Union (Southampton), $10; Union (Surry), $10; Waverly, $15; Windsor, $25.

5. We recommend that one hundred aad seventy dollars be paid Col. A. Savage on the church debt in the city of Norfolk.

M. L. HURLEY,
T. R. GASKINS,
E. E. HOLLAND,
Committee.

The report of the Committee on Religious Literature was submitted and discussed by Rev. M. W. Butler, Rev. N. G. Newman, Rev. H. H. Butler, D. J. Bowden, Rev. W. W. Staley and J. A. McCloud, Jr. After substantial help in the shape of a good list of subscribers for the *Christian Sun*, the report, on motion, was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Your Committee on Religious Literature submit the following report:

This is one of the most important departments of our work. The printing press is one of the most potent means of advancing the cause of truth. Its introduction brought new light and power to the church. This is an age of intellectual life and growth, and much of the success of any people depends upon their habits of reading and the kind of literature they use. We have that which is good, and should strive to place it in the hands of the public. This is our best means of informing the world and advancing the cause of God, as understood by us.

We recommend—

First. That we encourage, in a liberal support, our own church organ, *The Christian Sun*, and that the ministers be requested to make special efforts to place the *Sun* in every home in their charges.

Second. That this Conference assume the care of the work of the Colporter, who is working now under the direction of the Sunday-school Convention of this Conference. (This recommendation is made at the request of the Sunday-school Convention.)

Third. That an appropriation of fifty dollars be made for the free distribution of denominational tracts, such as "Why I am a Member of the Christian Church," by C. J. Jones, D. D.; "Why I Prefer the Christian Church," by N. Summerbell, at the discretion of the Colporter.

Respectfully submitted,
M. W. BUTLER,
DR. C. J. RIDDICK,
J. R. HINTON,
Committee.

Special Committee on Memoirs handed in their report. Tributes of esteem and affection to the memory of our deceased brethren (mentioned in the report) were offered by Rev. W. W. Staley, Rev. H. H. Butler, Rev. J. T. Kitchen, I. W. Duck, Rev. W. T. Herndon of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, Rev. M. W. Butler, and Dr. Long, President of Elon College. The report, on motion, was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

Your Committee on Memoirs are burdened with the sad duty of calling your attention to the heavy losses of this body since its last meeting at Providence,

in Norfolk County, Virginia, in the session of 1890, when Revs. M. B. BARRETT and R. A. RICKS sat with us as active co-workers. To-day they are not, for God has taken them, and we come to pay the last formal tribute to their memory.

Rev. MILLS BURWELL BARRETT was born in Norfolk County, Virginia, September 6, 1828. His parents were Rev. Mills Barrett and Sarah J., his wife. He was a grandson of Rev. Burwell Barrett, who was a pioneer in the Christian movement. Rev. Mills B. Barrett was twice married; his last wife survives him, and four children by his first wife. He began preaching at the age of nineteen, and was ordained to the office of Elder in the Christian Church at Antioch church, Isle of Wight County, Virginia, October 31, 1850, and spent over forty years in the active work of the ministry, winning many souls to Christ. He died at his home in Southampton County, Virginia, very suddenly, April 14, 1891. As a pulpit orator he was specially gifted, and when at his best, was a most captivating preacher. But his journey is ended, and he has gone to his reward, loved and lamented by a large circle of friends and brethren.

Rev. ROBERT ANTHONY RICKS was born in Southampton County, Virginia, November 11, 1854. His parents were Collin and Louisa Ricks. Rev. R. A. Ricks married, November 18, 1886, Miss Sallie Haskins, of Mecklenburg County, Virginia, who, with two bright children, survive him. He was ordained to the gospel ministry in 1881, at Liberty Spring, Nansemond County, Virginia. For ten years he was actively engaged in preaching the gospel, and in that time he developed rare gifts as a sermonizer and writer. He wrote the History of the Home Mission Work in the Eastern Virginia Conference, and had been chosen by the General Convention to write a history of the Christian Church. In November, 1890, he was called to pastoral work at Burlington, North Carolina, where he did, in a few months, the finest work of his life, and fell dead in the pulpit on Sunday, April 26, 1891, without a moment's warning of the approach of the Death Angel. He thus died in the beginning of his prime, and went to his reward, lamented by the brotherhood and a large circle of personal admirers.

These two brethren were called from our midst within less than two weeks, and their departure calls for new workers to fill up the ranks and press on in the good work to which they were so devotedly attached. Let us pray the Lord to send us more laborers for his vineyard and give us yet a greater work to do in His name.

We hereby tender the condolence of this body to the families of the deceased, and the churches of which they had pastoral charge, in the sad loss and bereavement which have befallen them in the death of these servants of God.

Let us long cherish all that was Christ-like in their lives and seek to be ready to answer Death's call, for we, too, may be called in such an hour as we think not.

Respectfully submitted,

J. PRESSLEY BARRETT,
H. H. BUTLER,
W. W. STALEY,
Committee.

Conference here adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference convened and was called to order by the President.

On motion, an appropriation of $60 was granted to Rev. S. S. Barrett, to be paid out of the Superannuated Fund, the same to be paid quarterly in advance.

The report of Committee on Education was submitted, and discussed by Rev. W. W. Staley. After pledges to Elon College to the amount of nearly $3,000, on motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTE ON EDUCATION.

Real education prepares for truer service. It is as wide as the range of human duty. Christian education is the only complete culture. Only when the entire being is disciplined can a man enter the race to win highest honors. This embraces Heaven and eternity in its possible achievement. No truth is too small for its investigation, and no revelation too vast for its endeavor. It looks into the little flowers and into the starry depths with equal reverence. It studies the work and word of God to discover man's duty and destiny. It bows low before the Christ as "God manifest in the flesh," "in whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge." Denominational institutions rest their claims on their Christian discipline and culture. They have raised the morals and manners of college life, and advanced the standard of domestic and social piety. With confidence, therefore, we commend to this body—

I. *Elon College and its interests.* Its history is that of a struggle for life and usefulness. But it lives and labors for truth. God seems to have ordained its mission. It is a product of prayer, of tireless effort, and of divine favor. But it needs now, as never before, the help of all its friends. Money is the essential demand, and all should make liberal offerings. Its patronage is good. Its work is excellent. Its future may be bright, if the people will only lift its burdens. It may become the centre of a Christian culture that will pour its blessings into all our churches, and into waste places. It deserves our heartiest endorsement, and our liberal support. The gifts already made are yielding good interest.

II. *What this Conference has done for Elon.* It has sent forty-six students since the opening in September, 1890, and has thirty-five there now. Four of these are ministerial students—W. J. Laine, R. H. Peel, J. W. Rawls and Joseph Jones—and another, L. L. Lassiter, will enter after Conference. The Committee hopes that this liberal patronage will continue. Besides this, money has been given with some liberality, and the Committee desires to see the donations greatly increased.

III. *We recommend the following appropriations, under the direction of the Chairman of the Educational Committee, for the present Conference year:*

W. J. Laine	$100.00
R. H. Peel	125.00
J. W. Rawls	125.00
L. L. Lassiter	50.00
	$400.00

There is a balance on hand of $181.40, and we ask Conference to order the transfer of the Theological Fund, $123.89, to the Educational Fund. These two will make the sum of $305.29 in hand, besides the collection at this session, which will enable us to go through the year without debt.

IV. Revs. N. G. Newman and C. C. Peel, licentiates of this Conference and graduates of Elon College, being candidates for Elder's orders, and having been recommended by the churches to which they have ministered, have been duly examined by your Committee, and we hereby recommend them for ordination; and we ask that an ordaining presbytery be appointed for that purpose.

V. W. J. Laine, a ministerial student of this body, has been highly recommended by the church at Centreville, Prince George county, and we recommend that Conference authorize his licensure through their President. We also recommend the license of Bro. R. H. Demorest, who comes well recommended by the church in Berkley, Va., and gives fair promise of usefulness in the ministry. The name of John W. Harrell, of Cypress Chapel, and now in Elon College, has been entered upon the list of Biblical students.

VI. We herewith present bonds for money furnished two young men from the Educational Fund: N. G. Newman, $290; C. C. Peel, $170. These sums cover all their indebtedness to the Conference, including bonds given in 1886 and lost.

VII. We would again call the attention of ministers to the Correspondence College. It is under the direction of Martyn Summerbell, D. D., and offers fine opportunities for improvement.

VIII. We submit the following assessments for education, for another year: Antioch, $20; Barrett's, $5; Bethany, $10; Bethlehem, $12; Berea (Nansemond), $20; Berea (Norfolk), $15; Berkley, $5; Burton's Goove, $5; Centreville, $5; Cypress Chapel, $20; Damascus, $15; Eure's, $5; Franklin, $5; Holland, $5; Holy Neck, $20; Ivor, $3; Johnson's Grove, $5: Liberty Spring, $10; Mount Carmel, $12; Mount Zion, $5; Oakland, $10; Providence, $12; Spring Hill, $10; Suffolk, $15; Union, $5; Union (Surry), $5; Waverly, $5; Windsor, $6; Isle of Wight Court House, $2; Norfolk Mission, $3. Total, $275.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W, STALEY,
J. P. BARRETT,
M. W. BUTLER,
Committee.

Rev. N. G. Newman, collector of Conference funds, handed in his report, and same was referred to the Finance Committee.

The Committee on Finance reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg to report as follows:

That we have examined the reports of the Treasurer and collector respectively of this Conference, with the vouchers accompanying them, and find same correct. We notice that some of the drafts in favor really of the Norfolk Mission have been made payable to Col. A. Savage. We would recommend hereafter the same be made payable to Col. A. Savage, Treasurer Norfolk Mission.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. HOLLAND,
F. C. ROBERTS,
T. W. SAVAGE,
Committee.

Revs. J. P. Barrett, D. D., and J. T. Kitchen were appointed an ordaining Presbytery by the President to ordain Revs. N. G. Newman and C. C. Peel. Dr. W. S. Long was requested to assist in the ordination.

The Committee on Religious Exercises announced that Rev. J. W. Patton, of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, would preach to-night in this church, and that Rev. M. W. Butler would preach to-night in the Baptist church.

Conference, on motion, adjourned to meet immediately after religious services to-night.

NIGHT SESSION.

The congregation was entertained by a good sermon from Rev. J. W. Patton, of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference, after which Conference was called to order by the President.

Bro. R. D. H. Demorest, of the church in Berkley, Virginia, was licensed to preach the gospel, and Revs. N. G. Newman and C. C. Peel received Elder's orders.

Rev. C. C. Peel was announced to preach Friday at 12 M.

After music by the choir, on motion, Conference adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

FOURTH DAY.

After religious exercises, led by the President, Conference met and was called to order.

Roll called and minutes of yesterday's session, and also of last night, were read and approved.

Rev. H. C. Moore arrived and was enrolled.

The question of Annuals was taken up and $53.50 was raised from the different churches for the publication of the same.

The President announced the standing committees, as follows:

Education—M. W. Butler, N. G. Newman.
Home Missions—M. L. Hurley, E. E. Holland, T. R. Gaskins.
Foreign Missions—H. H. Butler, Dr. C. J. Riddick, Darius King.
Temperance—J. T. Kitchen, John S. Felton, T. W. Savage.
Religious Literature—J. P. Barrett, D. D., C. J. Jones, Jr., F. L. Portlock.
Sabbath-schools—J. W. Barrett, J. W. Norfleet, J. W. Johnson.
Executive—H. H. Butler, J. T. Kitchen, J. P. Barrett, D. D.

On motion, the President was added to the Committee on Education and to the Executive Committee, as chairman of each.

The following resolution was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That the amount of money raised for ANNUALS be deposited in bank to the credit of the Conference and Publication Fund, and that the President and Secretary be appointed to superintend the publication of ANNUALS, and that the extra number published be placed in the hands of the chairman of the Home Mission Committee for distribution. M. L. HURLEY.

Rev. H. C. Moore called the attention of Conference to an inviting field for the Christians in Brunswick county, and parts of the adjoining counties. He said the people were anxious to hear the gospel from the Christian ministers, and that he needed help in spreading the principles of the Christian Church. Several ministers of Conference volunteered to render assistance.

The following resolution was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due, and hereby tendered, to this church, its pastor, and friends in the community, for the kind entertainment of this session. M. W. BUTLER.

The Secretary was ordered to draw on the Treasurer for $1 for stationery.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Amounts collected during the present session of Conference:

Home Missions	$ 678.05
Foreign Missions	144.40
Educational Fund	146.61
Superannuated Fund	27.69
Conference and Publication Fund	23.95
Convention Fund	19.48
For ANNUALS	53.50
	$1,093.68

N. G. NEWMAN, *Collector.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

WM. H. JONES, JR., *Treasurer, in account with*
The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

HOME MISSION FUND.

		Dr.	Cr.
1890.			
Nov. 1.	To Balance	$275.86	
Nov. 1.	" Deposit	631.62	
Dec. 9.	By Cash paid A. Savage		$400.00
Dec. 9.	" " " Rev. C. J. Jones		100.00
Dec, 26.	" " " Rev. J. T. Kitchen		18.75
1891.			
Feb. 3.	" " " A. Savage, Treas		100.00
Feb. 7.	" " " Rev. J. T. Kitchen		18.75
July 7.	" " " Rev. J. T. Kitchen		18.75
July 13.	" " " A. Savage, Treas		100.00
Sept. 18.	" " " Kev. J. T. Kitchen		18.75
Aug. 11.	" " " A. Savage, Treas		100.00
	Balance November 1, 1891		32.48
		$907.48	$907.48

CONVENTION FUND.

1890.			
Nov. 1.	To Balance	$235.24	
Nov. 1.	To Deposit	20.03	
Nov. 1.	To Interest to November 1, 1891	10.20	
Nov. 1.	By Balance November 1, 1891		$265.47
		$265.47	$265.47

FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

1890.			
Nov. 1.	To Balance	$179.72	
Nov. 1.	To Deposit	113.23	
1891.			
Jan. 30.	By Cash paid A. Moring, Treas		$200.00
	By Balance November 1, 1891		92.95
		$292.95	$292.95

SUPERANNUATED FUND.

1890.			
Nov. 1.	To Balance	$ 71.91	
Nov. 1.	To Deposit	32.29	
Dec. 16.	By Cash paid Rev. S. S. Barrett		$15.00
1891.			
Feb. 4.	By Cash paid Rev. S. S. Barrett		15.00
May 6	By Cash paid Rev. S. S. Barrett		15.00
Aug. 18.	By Cash paid Rev. S. S. Barrett		15.00
	By Balance November 1, 1891		44.20
		$104.20	$104.20

CONFERENCE AND PUBLICATION FUND.

1890.			
Nov. 1.	To Balance	$ 59.84	
Nov. 1.	To Deposit	25.28	
1891.			
Jan. 27.	By Cash paid Rev. J. P. Barrett		$ 8.00
Jan. 27.	By Cash paid Rev. J. P. Barrett		30.00
	By Balance November 1, 1891		47.12
		$85.12	$85,12

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

1890.			
Nov. 1.	To Balance	$382.07	
Nov. 1.	To Deposit	189.37	
Dec. 26.	By Cash paid W. J. Laine		$ 50.00
Dec. 26.	" " " N. G. Newman		50.00
Dec. 26.	" " " R. H. Peel		37.50
Dec. 26.	" " " J. W. Rawls		20.00
Dec. 26.	" " " C. C. Peel		50.00
1891.			
Feb. 20.	" " " W. J. Laine		50.00
Feb. 20.	" " " J. W. Rawls		20.00
Feb. 27.	" " " C. C. Peel		25.00
March 4.	" " " N. G. Newman		50.00
March 4.	" " " R. H. Peel		37.00
	By Balance November 1, 1891		181.94
		$571.44	$571.44

THEOLOGICAL FUND.

1890.			
Nov. 1.	To Balance	$119.63	
Nov. 1.	To Interest to November 1, 1891	4.26	
	By Balance November 1, 1891		$123.89
		$123.89	$123.89

SUMMARY.

Home Missions	$ 32.48
Convention Fund	265.47
Foreign Missions	92.95
Superannuated Fund	44.20
Conference and Publication Fund	47.12
Educational Fund	181.94
Theological Fund	123,89
	$788.05

Conference adjourned, with devotional exercises, to meet with Berea Church, Norfolk county, Virginia, on Tuesday before the first Sunday in November, 1892, at 11 a. m.

W. W. STALEY, *President.*

T. J. LAWRENCE, *Secretary.*

J. W. BARRETT, *Assistant Secretary.*

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	SECRETARIES AND THEIR POST-OFFICES.	Number Reported Last Session.	Received Since.	Dismissed.	Withdrawn.	Died.	Expelled.	Present Membership.	Connected with Sunday-school.	Amount Paid Pastor.	Establishing Schools.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Superannuated Fund.	Conference and Publication Fund.	Convention Fund.	For Other Purposes.	Total Amount.	Value of Church Property.
Antioch	J. P. Barrett	T. J. Clements, Windsor, Va.	328	20	4	--	9	4	331	135	$ 300 00	$------	$32 00	$ 4 22	$ 2 72	$2 84	$1 36	$1 52	$ 25 00	$ 369 66	$1,200
Barrett's	M. B. Barrett	J. D. Pond, Airfield, Va.	137	--	1	2	1	2	131	----	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	600
Berea (Nansemond)	M. L. Hurley	W. B. Gaskins, Driver, Va.	128	--	--	--	--	8	120	80	350 00	------	80 00	12 00	20 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	4,000 00	4,468 00	4,500
Berea (Norfolk)	J. P. Barrett	M. W. Hollowell, Great Bridge, Va.	132	3	--	--	--	--	135	90	258 53	8 00	20 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	83	133 59	426 75	1,500
Berkley	C. J. Jones, Jr.	B. F. Townsend, Berkley, Va.	95	40	8	--	1	--	127	----	762 00	------	20 00	5 00	5 00	------	------	------	968 00	1,740 00	7,000
Bethany	J. W. Barrett	T. J. Lawrence, South Quay, Va.	79	2	3	--	1	--	77	35	160 75	------	35 00	8 00	10 00	1 05	1 00	1 00	25 00	241 80	1,800
Bethlehem	H. H. Butler	J. W. Faulk, Suffolk, Va.	254	12	8	6	3	2	247	124	200 00	------	40 00	10 00	12 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	120 00	385 00	1,600
Burton's Grove	M. W. Butler	Joseph H. Barrett, Airfield, Va.	110	2	--	10	--	--	102	----	76 00	------	8 00	3 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	--------	92 00	1,000
Centerville	No Pastor	A. T. Hatch, Disputanta, Va.	37	--	--	--	2	--	35	47	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	65 00	65 00	225
Cypress Chapel	H. H. Butler	W. A. King, Suffolk, Va.	325	35	6	--	--	30	318	72	225 00	------	40 55	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	------	130 00	399 55	2,000
Damascus	H. H. Butler	J. R. Rayner, Sunsbury, N. C.	225	28	4	--	1	1	247	52	225 00	------	24 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	------	16 00	269 00	1,500
Eure's	J. T. Kitchen	John S. Felton, Gatesville, N. C.	130	--	--	4	--	--	126	55	100 00	------	4 00	------	1 00	45	------	------	400 00	505 45	1,000
Franklin	J. W. Barrett	I. W. Norfleet, Franklin, Va.	----	9	--	--	--	--	32	----	150 00	32 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	100 00	305 00	3,000
Holland	R. H. Holland	R. H. Holland, Holland, Va.	129	27	1	4	1	22	128	70	50 00	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	770 00	820 00	1,200
Holy Neck	M. L. Hurley	B. G. Porter, Holland, Va.	433	3	4	--	3	--	429	87	400 00	500 00	90 00	15 00	20 00	1 25	1 25	1 25	30 00	1,058 75	3,000
Isle of Wight C. H.	J. T. Kitchen	R. L. Spivey, Isle of Wight C. H., Va.,	48	5	--	--	--	--	53	90	------	------	5 00	------	50	1 00	50	43	75 00	82 43	------
Ivor	M. W. Butler	J. W. Brittle, Jr., Ivor, Va.	62	7	--	--	1	3	65	51	80 00	------	5 00	2 00	3 18	20	15	20	40 00	130 73	1,000
Johnson's Grove	J. W. Barrett	J. W. Johnson, Vicksville, Va.	99	3	3	1	1	1	93	70	125 00	45 00	7 25	2 50	1 89	75	75	75	33 00	216 89	800
Liberty Spring	J. T. Kitchen	F. E. Parker, Savage Crossing, Va.	157	38	--	--	--	8	187	90	150 00	------	20 00	4 00	77	1 00	1 00	1 00	30 00	207 77	1,300
Mount Carmel	M. B. Barrett	P. D. Howell, Windsor, Va.	259	--	--	--	3	3	253	----	125 00	------	15 00	10 00	1 00	------	------	------	--------	151 00	1,000
Mount Zion	H. H. Butler	George Haughwout, Crittenden's, Va.,	42	7	--	--	1	--	48	----	150 00	------	10 00	1 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	50	106 90	275 40	3,000
New Lebanon	------	------	----	--	--	--	--	--	----	----	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	--------	--------	------
Norfolk Mission	C. J. Jones	------	----	--	--	--	--	--	----	----	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	--------	--------	------
Oakland	H. H. Butler	A. L. Saunders, Everett's, Va.	106	30	1	2	--	4	129	48	150 00	------	16 50	1 00	1 00	50	50	50	250 00	420 00	1,000
Providence	J. P. Barrett	F. L. Portlock, Great Bridge, Va.	90	21	2	--	--	--	109	64	300 00	------	25 00	5 00	10 00	1 00	------	------	154 68	495 68	2,000
Sharon	------	------	----	--	--	--	--	--	----	----	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	--------	--------	------
Spring Hill	M. W. Butler	R. T. West, Waverly, Va.	122	6	--	2	--	--	126	68	275 00	------	40 00	7 46	10 00	20	20	15	200 00	532 01	1,200
Suffolk	W. W. Staley	B. F. Cutchin, Suffolk, Va.	216	23	1	--	2	--	236	260	1,000 00	------	75 00	12 00	15 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	4,157 83	5,307 83	10,000
Union (Southampton)	J. W. Barrett	J. E. Scott, Isaac, Va.	134	6	1	1	1	--	107	86	70 00	25 00	10 00	4 00	5 00	75	75	75	2 05	118 30	1,000
Union (Surry)	M. W. Butler	------	88	5	--	--	--	10	83	46	115 00	------	10 00	4 00	5 00	50	1 00	98	50 00	186 48	1,000
Waverly	M. W. Butler	T. W. Johnson, Waverly, Va.	66	24	--	5	--	--	85	----	100 00	------	10 75	4 00	5 00	62	1 20	39	--------	--------	------
Windsor	J. T. Kitchen	M. L. Watkins, Windsor, Va.	52	--	1	--	--	2	49	----	150 00	------	20 00	3 00	------	1 00	50	50	170 00	345 00	2,000

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

SIXTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

N. C. and Va. Christian Conference.

PLEASANT GROVE CHRISTIAN CHURCH,
HALIFAX COUNTY, VA., Nov. 17, 1891.

The North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference met to-day in its sixty-sixth annual session.

Rev. W. T. Herndon, President of last session, called the body to order.

Opening hymn, "I am Coming to the Cross."

Religious exercises conducted by Rev. J. W. Hatch, reading Psalm 32, using 74 Triumphant Song, "Blest be the Tie that Binds," followed by prayer; then hymn and prayer by Rev. Solomon Apple. Short, pointed and feeling remarks were made by many of the brethren; an holy enthusiasm prevailed.

The Secretary called the roll of ministers, with the following responses:

Elders—Revs. Solomon Apple, W. G. Clements, P. H. Fleming, J. L. Foster, J. W. Hatch, W. T. Herndon, J. W. Holt, N. B. Honeycutt, J. A. Jones, P. T. Klapp, S. B. Klapp, G. R. Underwood, J. W. Wellons, J. D. Wicker, A. F. Iseley, E. T. Iseley, W. S. Long, W. H. Roach, T. W. Stroud.

Licentiates—Revs. T. B. Dawson, J. W. Fonville, H. L. Hines, L. W. Mangum, C. H. Rowland, P. T. Way, W. C. Wicker, D. M. Williams, J. O. Atkinson.

ROLL OF CHURCHES AND DELEGATES.

Antioch:—; *Apple's Chapel:*—; *Auburn:* J. E. Langston; *Amelia:*—; *Big Falls:*—; *Bethlehem:* G. M. Ross, H. V. Simpson; *Beulah:* C. C. Williams; *Burlington:* T. A. Ingle; *Bethany:*—; *Catawba Springs:* J. H. Murray, R. J. Franks; *Christian Chapel:* R. C. Rollins; *Concord:* Daniel Garrison; *Center Grove:* J. H. Knight; *Christian Light:* A. T. Arnold; *Clover Orchard:* A. J. Marshburn; *Damascus:*—; *Durham:* R. Canada, R. Kelley; *Ebenezer:* J. N. Carpenter, C. C. Brown; *Grace Chapel:*—; *Good Hope:*—; *Happy Home:*—; *Hank's Chapel:* W. H. Hatch; *Hayes' Chapel:* J. A. S. Holder, T. J. Williams; *Hebron:* P. A. Rice; *Hines' Chapel:* W. L. Apple, J. J. Busic; *Howard's Chapel:*—; *High Point:*—; *Keyser:* J. C. Adams; *Kallum Grove:*—; *Lebanon:* W. H. Wells, W. H. Taylor; *Liberty (V):* W. A. Cunningham, H. A. Smithwick; *Liberty (R):* O. T. Hatch; *Long's Chapel:* L. M. Johnson, L. W. Allen; *Mount Auburn:*—; *Mount Bethel:*—; *Mount Carmel:*—; *Mount Hermon:*—; *Mount Zion:* W. A. Bradley; *Mount Pleasant:*—; *Martha's Chapel:*—; *Moore Union:*—; *Morrisville:* Prof. J. H. Moring; *New Elam:* J. C. Davis; *New Hope:* W. R. Rodgers; *New Hill:*—; *New Providence:*—; *O'Kelly's Chapel:*

L. D. O'Kelley, A. P. Barbee; *Pleasant Grove, Va.:* E. T. Pierce, D S. Farmer; *Pleasant Hill (C):*—; *Pleasant Union:*—; *Pleasant Hill (J):*—; *Pleasant Ridge:*—; *Pope's Chapel:* A. L. Allen; *Poplar Branch:*—; *Plymouth:* I. M. Jordan; *Pleasant Grove (J):* E. S. Coates; *Palmyra:*—; *Raleigh:* A. Moring; *Spilona:*—; *Shallow Ford:*—; *Shallow Well:*—; *Salem Chapel:* N. A. Hazelip, A. E. Hazelip; *Sage Garden:*—; *Turner's Chapel:*—; *Union, Va.:*—; *Union, N. C.:* W. A. McCauly, J. A. Graham, J. S. Foster; *Wake Chapel:* K. P. Johnson; J. W. Fuquay; *Walnut Grove:* W. M. Jones; *Winder:*—; *Youngsville:* W. T. Young; *Zion:*—; *Oak Level:* E. B. Williams; *Egypt:*—.

The roll having been completed, the President announced a quorum present, and declared Conference ready for organization.

Rev. P. H. Fleming was elected President for this session and the ensuing year.

Rev. W. C. Wicker was elected Assistant Secretary.

By motion, Rev. J. L. Foster was granted till Wednesday, 11 a. m., for the delivery of the annual sermon.

On motion, it was decided to follow the annual sermon by communion services, to be conducted by Revs. Solomon Apple and J. W. Hatch.

Upon motion, it was decided to appoint a committee of one to receive the funds for the ANNUAL The Chair appointed Bro. A. L. Allen as said committee.

By motion, the church letters were called and ordered to be read this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

A petition from the new church at Ingram, asking to be admitted a member of this body, was read, and, upon motion, it was received, and J. W. Carlton and T. A. S. Boyd were enrolled as delegates.

Rev. W. W. Staley, fraternal messenger from the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, arrived and was received. He responded in happy and fraternal greeting.

Revs. M. L. Hurley and C. C. Peele, members of the same Conference, were invited to seats as deliberative members, and responded in a most happy manner.

A petition was read from the Elon Christian church, asking admission to this Conference. Upon motion, the petition was granted, and the church admitted.

Conference adjourned forty-five minutes for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 2:45, President in the chair, Conference called to order.

The special order—the reading of the church letters—was called.

On motion, a special committee was appointed to examine church letters and ascertain why the sacraments had not been observed, and make recommendations.

The Chair appointed the following on the Committee: Revs. W. S. Long, J. W. Wellons and T. W. Stroud.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee, would submit the following report:

First. March 3, 1891—Allowed the account of the Secretary of Conference for stationery—300 small envelopes, 300 large envelopes, and 1,000 letter-heads, with printing—seven dollars and fifty cents.

Second. Elon College, N. C., June 3, 1891.—The Committee met at said College at 9 A. M., for the purpose of considering the recommendation of the Committee on Education, "recommending the licensure of Bro. J. O. Atkinson to preach the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ as a probationer." After due consideration, it was decided to license Bro. Atkinson at some suitable time during the day, which was done by the chairman.

Third. September 26, 1891.—Allowed the account of the Secretary for postage and incidentals from December 16, 1890, to September 26, 1891, and also the expenses of the Secretary in attending meeting of the Executive Committee of said Conference, he being a member of the same, amounting to ten dollars and eighty-nine cents.

Respectfully submitted,

W. G. CLEMENTS,
P. H. FLEMING,
J. L. FOSTER,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

A petition from Bethel Christian church, asking to be admitted into membership in this Conference, was read, and, upon motion, their petition granted and the church enrolled, with W. H. Pettigrew as delegate.

On motion, Conference decided to meet at 9:30 a. m., and spend twenty minutes in devotional exercises, adjourn at 1 p. m. for dinner, meet at 2 p. m., adjourn at will.

The following were added to fill vacancies on standing committees:

On Education—Revs. W. T. Herndon, W. G. Clements. *Church Extension*—W. C. Wicker and T. W. Stroud.

The matter in regard to the appropriation by last session of Conference to Center Grove Church, as to whether the appropriation was intended for "past services" or for "ensuing year," was referred, by motion, to the Committee on Home Missions.

On motion, it was ordered that the President of this Conference write a letter of Christian greeting and fraternal love to Rev. J. N. Farrell, who now lives in Texas.

On motion, Conference adjourned. Benediction by Dr. Long.

SECOND DAY—NOV. 18, 1891.

President in the chair.

Religious exercises by Rev. Solomon Apple.

Roll called; quorum present.

Minutes of previous day read and approved.

Rev. W. H. Roach was enrolled.

Delegates from the following churches arrived and were enrolled:

Hebron: L. H. Yancey; *High Point:* J. W. Parker; *Sage Garden:* H. H. Holder; *Happy Home:* J. W. Foster, H. Hubberd.

The President announced that the Order of Business adopted in 1889 in regard to the reports of committees was still in force.

Rev. H. C. Moore, of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member of this body.

The President announced the hour for special order.

The annual sermon was delivered by Rev. Jas. L. Foster; immediately after which the communion was held, conducted by Revs. Solomon Apple and J. W. Hatch.

By motion, Conference adjourned forty-five minutes for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION—SECOND DAY.

President Fleming called Conference to order, and quite a number of church letters were read.

Hon. W. N. Pritchard, delegate from Damascus Church, arrived and was enrolled.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Resolved, 1. That the only right position to take in regard to the use of strong drink as a beverage is absolute prohibition.

2. That we recommend only unfermented wine for communion service.

3. That we recommend organized and systematic temperance work for both the church and Sunday-school.

4. That we regret that the liquor traffic has intrenched itself in our State and national politics, but since it has we have no choice but to meet it on the ground of its own choosing, at the ballot-box.

5. That we regard the ballot as a sacred trust, and hold its use against this evil as an imperative duty on the part of all Christians.

JEREMIAH W. HOLT,
H. C. KING,
J. A. JONES,
A. F. ISELEY,
Committee.

Discussed by Rev. J. W. Holt, who made a very strong argument in favor of temperance; followed by Revs. E. T. Iseley, M. L. Hurley, P. T. Klapp, W. T. Herndon and S. B. Klapp.

By request, the vote was taken by standing. Report adopted.

On motion, a Committee on Finance was appointed, as follows: Hon. W. N. Pritchard, Revs. T. W. Stroud, G. R. Underwood.

By motion, Conference adjourned. Religious exercises by Rev. J. W. Wellons.

THIRD DAY—NOV. 19, 1891.

President Fleming in the chair.

Devotional exercises by Rev. M. L. Hurley.

Roll called and quorum found present.

Minutes read and approved.

On motion, P. P. Foster was enrolled as a delegate from Happy Home.

The following resolution was read and adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due Rev. J. L. Foster for the very able manner in which he delivered the annual sermon; and that he be requested to present a copy to the editor of the *Sun* for publication.

On motion, Rev. P. H. Fleming was elected to deliver the next annual address. Rev. T. W. Stroud was elected alternate.

By motion, ministerial reports were called for and read.

J. S. Carden and W. B. Mays were enrolled as delegates from Bethany.

On motion, the Report of the Committee on Education was made a special order for 2:30 p. m.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

WORK DONE WITH VISIBLE RESULTS.

The church at Burlington was under the charge of Rev. R. A. Ricks until he departed from his labors to his reward; since that time Rev. C. C. Peele has been in charge. Twenty-one have been received into fellowship during the year. The outlook is excellent.

Rev. W. G. Clements has been in charge of the church at Durham. Thirteen have joined the church during the year. Prospects good.

Rev. R. A. Ricks preached at Reidsville till his death; since then nothing has been done.

Rev. J. L. Foster has been in charge of the church at Raleigh. Nine members have been received. The church is hopeful.

Rev. W. H. Roach has preached at High Point, and received 13 members.

Rev. W. G. Clements visited Spilona and High Point, finding the former in fine condition, and the latter quite hopeful.

Rev. J. D. Wicker visited Egypt and New Hill, and reports the former in fair condition, and the latter doing tolerably well, considering the circumstances.

We make the following recommendations for the ensuing year:

1.	Burlington	$100.00
2.	Durham	60.00
3.	Ingram's	20.00
4.	Raleigh	150.00
5.	Beulah	25 00
6.	Amelia	25.00

In the matter of Center Grove, we recommend that Rev. C. A. Boon retain the twenty-five dollars given, and that twenty dollars be allowed Rev. J. W. Holt for pastoral work done.

These recommendations are made on the following conditions:

1. That the ministers preaching at the church or place where money is appropriated, shall have the endorsement of the Committee on Home Missions as a suitable man for that place.

2. He shall report quarterly to the Chairman of the Committee, on blanks furnished for that purpose.

3. Orders drawn on the Treasurer for money from the Home Mission Fund, must be countersigned by the Chairman of said Committee.

Amounts asked for during the ensuing Conference year for Home Mission work: Antioch, $5; Apple's Chapel, $23; Amelia, $1; Auburn, $8; Bethel, $3; Bethlehem, $35; Beulah, $4; Bethany, $3; Big Falls, $3; Burlington, $8; Catawba Springs, $15; Christian Chapel, $15; Concord, $8; Center Grove, $5; Christian Light, $5; Clover Orchard, $5; Damascus, $20; Durham, $5; Elon College, $10; Ebenezer, $10; Egypt, $5; Grace Chapel, $8; Good Hope, $8; Hank's Chapel, $15; Happy Home, $5; Hayes' Chapel, $5; Hebron, $10; Hines' Chapel, $15; Howard's Chapel, $8; High Point, $5; Ingram's, $3; Keyser, $8; Kallam Grove, $4; Lebanon, $10; Liberty (V), $10; Liberty (R), $4; Long's Chapel, $15; Mount Auburn, $25; Mount Bethel, $10; Mount Carmel, $4; Mount Hermon, $8; Mount Zion, $8; Mount Pleasant, $4; Martha's Chapel, $8; Moore Union, $8; Morrisville, $8; New Elam, $15; New Hope, $5; New Hill, $3; New Providence, $30; Oak Level, $15; O'Kelley's Chapel, $15; Pleasant Grove (Va.), $30; Pleasant Hill (C), $15; Pleasant Union, $7; Pleasant Hill (J), $10; Pleasant Ridge, $8: Pope's Chapel, $20; Poplar Branch, $5; Plymouth, $8; Pleasant

Grove (J), $2; Palmyra, $5; Raleigh, $8; Spilona, $5; Shallow Ford, $10; Shallow Well, $15; Salem Chapel, $15; Sage Garden, $5; Turner's Chapel, $5; Union (Va.), $10; Union (N. C.), $30; Wake Chapel, $15; Walnut Grove, $5; Winder, $5; Youngsville, $8; Zion, $10.

As an incentive to the mission work, we think we cannot do better than to quote the following from the last year's report: "Missions means religion reduced to practice. It is the Gospel in action. It is Christianity exemplified. The Master has said, 'A man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth.' So a Christian can really claim as his only what he has given, what he has done. The work of our Conference estimated along that line, amounted to but little until the last few years. More religion means more missions, and more missions means more progress and greater blessings."

Many points asked for help and got nothing, for the want of funds.

W. G. CLEMENTS,
J. D. WICKER,
S. B. KLAPP,
Committee.

The report was discussed by Revs. W. G. Clements and M. L. Hurley, who made a very strong speech advocating the cause; discussion continued by Revs. W. S. Long and M. L. Hurley on the plan by which he has so successfully raised Home Missions, followed by Revs. W. W. Staley, S. B. Klapp, J. W. Holt, J. D. Wicker. Debate closed. A collection was taken for the Mission Fund amounting to $19 57. The report was adopted.

On motion, Mount Pisgah was referred to the Committee on Home Missions for their support.

By motion, Conference decided to hold its next session with the church at Wake Chapel, Wake county, N. C.

On motion, a special committee was appointed to investigate the financial condition of the Raleigh Christian church, and the following were appointed: W. H. Hatch, J. W. Wellons, A. P. Barbee.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We, your Committee, beg leave to submit the following report:

At no time in the history of the world has the press wielded a more widespread influence than to-day. The press is one of the great powers of the State and nation; its influence reaches the remotest parts of the civilized world. But, like all other power, it has been abused, till to-day the reading world is more or less taught the immoral and the anti-Christian doctrines advocated by strictly political papers, and obscene literature published by the abused press.

This country is full of literature which is void of the teachings of God's Word. Our State and nation refuse to stop this ungodly work by law, and now this monster evil, the abused press, confronts the church.

What shall we, as a denomination, and others do, is a question that demands our attention.

The religious press *is the one means* of *fighting* this great evil. "We must overcome evil with good."

Our religious literature, while good, is not sufficient. We must strengthen our religious literature by supporting it better.

Therefore, we recommend—

1. That all our people give the organ of our General Convention, the *Christian Sun*, a more liberal support; and that our pastors *now* make a determined effort to put the *Sun* in every home in the Christian church.

2. We also recommend the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*, published at Dayton, Ohio, by Rev. J. P. Watson, D. D., as worthy of our hearty support.

3. We also recommend that this Committee be authorized to arrange a course of religious reading, extending two, three or four years, to be pursued by all ministerial students and licentiates; this will give the Committee some work as against simply recommendations as in the past.

JAS. L. FOSTER,
E. T. ISELEY,
P. H. FLEMING,
Committee.

The report was discussed by Revs. E. T. Iseley, W. G. Clements, W. W. Staley.

The report was adopted.

Subscriptions for the *Christian Sun* were then called for, and fifteen secured.

A collection was taken for the "Jubilee Fund," amounting to $6.00.

Rev. J. O. Atkinson arrived and was enrolled.

Conference adjourned forty-five minutes for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President in the chair.

On motion, a committee was appointed to prepare a memorial to the General Convention, asking that this Conference be divided. The following were appointed: J. W. Holt, W. G. Clements, E. T. Pierce.

Rev. W. S. Friend, of the Presbyterian church, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member of this body.

A paper in regard to the proposed changes in our Form of Government, as submitted to the Conference by our last General Convention for their ratification, containing the following amendments, was read, and upon motion, the paper was approved:

On motion of E. E. Holland, the paper offered by Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., at the last session of the General Convention of the Christian Church on the "Better Organization of the Church," adopted by said Convention and referred to the several Conferences for their adoption, was adopted by the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, with the following amendments thereto:

AMENDMENT 1. All funds raised for Ministerial Education, Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Church Extension, Publication and Colportage by each Conference shall be expended under the direction of the Conference.

AMENDMENT 2. The Missionary Convention shall be composed of delegates from Christian Conferences, Churches, Sunday-schools, Missionary Societies, or individual members, within the Christian Church, on a basis of one delegate for each ten dollars actually paid into the Treasury of the Convention for each year preceding the session in which said delegates shall be enrolled, for the support of the church enterprises fostered by said Convention; except that it shall only be necessary to pay the sum of ten dollars for the year preceding the first meeting of the Convention in order to be admitted as a delegate in said first meeting of said Convention.

AMENDMENT 3. The Convention shall meet at the same place at which the General Convention of the Christian Church meets, and as often as said Convention meets, and shall hold its first meeting on some day during the session of the next General Convention of the Christian Church.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

The education of a people determines its destiny. The dignity, the usefulness, and the perpetuity of every religious organization depends upon the culture, the piety, and the consecration of its people. A true education gives its possessor strength and breadth, and sends him into the world with ability to perform life's duties with honor and satisfaction.

The education of our people is not only a duty, but a necessity. It stands central to every interest of the church, and demands our most earnest attention, our most generous offerings, and our greatest sacrifices.

It is a matter of peculiar pleasure to state to you that Elon College, which was opened September 2, 1890, is in a prosperous condition, with a devoted, competent and zealous Faculty, and a splendid body of students now in attendance. Three young men graduated from its halls last June, two of whom are now actively engaged in our ministry, and the other is principal of an Academy in Chatham county, N. C.

There have been during the past year 81 students from this Conference, 45 from Eastern Virginia, and 9 from the Deep River Conference. Among these are 12 young men preparing for the ministry in the Christian Church.

We recommend—

1. That all persons who enter our ministry be encouraged, and required, if possible, to complete the course of instruction prescribed in Elon College, or some other institution, before ordination.

2. That Rev. C. C. Peele, a member of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, who has been granted a letter of dismissal from his Conference that he may unite with this Conference, be received as an Elder in this body.

3. That C. C. Williams, of Beulah Church, Wake Co., N. C., Edwin S. Coates, and J. M. Jordan, of Plymouth church, of the same county, be admitted to membership in the biblical class, and be placed under the care of the Conference, and that J. S. Carden remain in the biblical class at least another year.

4. That license to preach the gospel be granted to J. W. Fuquay, A. P. Barbee and J. W. Parker.

5. That we ordain L. W. Mangum. T. B. Dawson and P. T. Way.

W. C. Wicker, a student in our College, and a licentiate of this body, was before us. He has charge of two churches, and one of them has asked for his ordination, but as he expects to remain in college until he graduates, we consider it best to defer his ordination. Bro. J. W. Fonville was before us also, and we think it best for him to complete his education before he be ordained. We report $105.10 collected for the education of young ministers

We again call your attention to the great importance of raising money to aid young men in qualifying themselves to preach the gospel. We have applications for help from many worthy individuals, whom we cannot aid unless funds be placed at our command. Such funds are loaned on notes given by the persons using it, and is to be paid without interest. For this purpose we ask the churches for the following amounts:

Antioch, $3; Apples' Chapel, $8; Bethlehem, $8; Beulah, $2; Turner's Chapel, $2; Catawba, $4; Christian Chapel, $6; Burlington, $5; Damascus, $5; Ebenezer, $3; Good Hope, $3; Hank's Chapel, $6.50; Happy Home, $3; Hayes' Chapel, $4; Hebron, $3.50; Hines' Chapel, $6; Kallam Grove, $3; Lebanon, $5; Liberty (Vance), $4; Liberty (Randolph), $2; Lockville, $1; Martha's Chapel, $3; Moore Union, $3; Morrisville, $3; Mt. Auburn, $6; Mt. Bethel, $3; Mt. Carmel, $2; Mt. Hermon, $2; Mt. Zion, $2; New Elam, $6; New Hill, $1.50; New Hope, $4; New Providence, $10; Oak Level, $5; O'Kelly's Chapel, $4; Pleasant Grove (Va.), $8; Pleasant Hill (C.), $5; Pleasant Hill (J.), $5; Pleasant Union, $3; Pleasant Ridge, $3; Pope's Chapel, $6; Poplar Branch, $3; Plymouth, $2; Raleigh, $3; Salem Chapel, $6; Shallow Well, $5; Shallow Ford, $3; Union (Va.), $6; Union (N. C.), $10; Wake

Chapel, $7; Walnut Grove, $2; Zion, $6; Grace's Chapel, $3; Youngsville, $3; Pleasant Grove, $2; Howard's Chapel, $3; Long's Chapel, $5; Mt. Pleasant, $2; Bethany; $2; Keyser, $3; Egypt, $1; Center Grove, $1.50; Auburn, $2; Sage Garden, $1; Christian Light, $1.50; Durham; $2.50; High Point, $2; Spilona, $1:50; Bethel, $2; Elon College, $2.

Respectfully submitted,

W. S. LONG,
J. W. WELLONS,
W. G. CLEMENTS,
P. T. KLAPP,
W. T. HERNDON,
Committee.

The report was discussed by Revs. W. S. Long, W. T. Herndon, W. W. Staley.

The report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHURCH EXTENSION.

We, your Committee, beg leave to submit the following report:

We find that the appropriations made at the last Conference to Mount Pleasant, Christian Light, Center Grove, Bethany and Beulah, have been used judiciously.

1. We recommend that $30 be appropriated to Ingram's Christian church to help complete their church building.

2. That $25 be appropriated to the church at Liberty (R) to clear off their church debt.

3. That $20 be appropriated to Center Grove church to help complete their church building.

4. That $10 be appropriated to Apple's Chapel to help complete their church building.

We recommend further that the churches raise at least five cents per member for Church Extension the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,

G. R. UNDERWOOD,
T. W. STROUD,
W. C. WICKER,
Committee.

The following amendment was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That the church at Apple's Chapel be relieved of ten dollars of the assessment for the ensuing year, and that the reduction be made in proportion; and that the ten dollars intended for Apple's Chapel be given to the church at Liberty, Randolph county.

Then the report, as amended, was adopted.

On motion, Conference adjourned. Prayer by Rev. W. W. Staley.

FOURTH DAY—Nov. 20, 1891.

At 9:30 a. m., the President was in the chair.

Devotional exercises by Rev. W. T. Herndon. Prayer by Prof. Atkinson.

On motion, the application from the Raleigh church for aid from the Mission Board, North, was endorsed as being worthy of their help, and the President of this Conference be required to answer the questions asked by their Mission Secretary.

By motion, it was ordered that the Secretary of this Conference draw an order for $30 in favor of Ingram's church, payable to T. A. S. Boyd; and, also, the same was ordered in favor of Center Grove for $20, payable to J. H. Knight; each from the Extension Fund, as recommended by said Committee.

The following resolution was adopted:

That an order be drawn on the Treasurer of this Conference, in favor of Liberty church, Randolph county, from the Extension Fund, for the payment of its present indebtedness, and that the Treasurer be directed to hold this order until he is notified by the church at Liberty, and by Dr. D. H. Albright, that the payment of fifty dollars by this Conference shall fully discharge all indebtedness.

Moved, that this Conference order its Treasurer to pay over all money in hand for Foreign Missions to the Treasurer of the General Convention, as required by the President of the Board on Foreign Missions. Motion carried.

Upon motion, it was carried that the Secretary be allowed twenty-five dollars for his year's work, and was instructed to draw an order for the same, to be paid out of the Contingent Fund.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to report:

That we have examined the books and accounts of Rev. J. W. Hatch, Treasurer of this Conference, and find them correct, with proper vouchers for money paid out.

There has been, as yet, no report of the Susan Phillips estate, and we recommend that this Conference take some action in the matter.

W. N. PRITCHARD,
T. W. STROUD,
G. R. UNDERWOOD,
Committee.

The report was discussed and adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

J. W. HATCH, Treasurer, *in account with the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference.*

HOME MISSION FUND.

1890.				
Nov.	21.	To collections at Conference		$634.80
Nov.	21.	By commissions on collections, 1½ per cent	$ 9.52	
1891.				
Feb.	12.	By cash paid W. G. Clements, Order No. 39	25.00	
May	8.	" " " W. G. Clements, Order No. 45	25.00	
Aug.	17.	" " " W. G. Clements, Order No. 51	25.00	
Feb.	9.	" " " J. L. Foster, Order No. 38	25.00	
May	8.	" " " J. L. Foster, Order No. 48	25.00	
Aug.	17.	" " " J. L. Foster, Order No. 50	25.00	
Feb.	12.	" " " R. A. Ricks, Order No. 40	25.00	
Feb.	12.	" " " R. A. Ricks, Order No. 41	12.50	
Feb.	17.	" " " R. A. Ricks, Order No. 42	6.25	
May	8.	" " " Mrs. R. A. Ricks, Order No 46	25.00	
May	8.	" " " Mrs. R. A. Ricks, Order No. 47	18.75	

1890.			
Nov. 21.	By Cash paid W. T. Herndon, Order No. 26	$ 31.25	
Nov. 21.	" " " S. B. Klapp, Order No. 27	25.00	
Nov. 21.	" " " C. A. Boon, Order No. 28	25 00	
Nov. 21.	" " " N. B. Honeycutt, Order No. 29	25.00	
Nov. 21.	" " " W. H. Roach, Order No. 30	100.00	
Nov. 21.	" " " E. T. Iseley, Order No. 31	20 00	
Nov. 21.	" " " Rev. C. C. Peele, Order No. 52	18.75	
Nov. 21.	" " " J. W. Hatch, Order No. 32	40.00	
1891.			
Nov. 16.	By commissions on 19 of above Orders, $522.50, at 1½ per cent	7.83	
Nov. 16.	By Balance due Treasurer last year	22.64	
Nov. 16.	By Balance on hand	72.31	
		$634.80	$634.80

FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

1890.			
Nov. 18.	To Balance on hand at last report		$ 6.34
Nov. 21.	Collected at Conference		292.63
Nov. 21.	By Commissions on $292.63, at 1½ per cent	$ 4.38	
1891.			
Jan. 28.	By Receipt from Treasurer Foreign Mission Board,	268.55	
Jan. 28.	By Commission on above receipt, $268.55	4 02	
Nov. 16.	By Balance on hand	22.02	
		$298.97	$298.97

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

1890.			
Nov. 18.	To Balance on hand at last report		$ 20.41
Nov. 18.	To Cash Collection at Conference		90.72
Nov. 18.	By Commissions on $90.72, at 1½ per cent	$ 1.36	
Dec. 15.	By one note on D. M. Williams for	30.00	
Dec. 15.	By one note on W. C. Wicker for	35.50	
Dec. 15.	By one note on J. F. Pleasants for	39 80	
1891.			
Nov. 16.	By Commissions on above notes, $105.30, at 1½ per cent	1.58	
Nov. 16.	By Balance on hand	2.89	
		$111.13	$111.13

CHURCH EXTENSION FUND.

1890.			
Nov. 18.	To Balance on hand at last report		$ 8.16
Nov. 18.	To Collections at Conference		90.82
Nov. 18.	By Commissions on $90.82, at 1½ per cent	$ 1.36	
Nov. 21.	By Cash paid J. L. Foster, Order No. 33	20.00	
1891.			
Jan. 13.	By Cash paid E. T. Iseley, Order No. 34	10.00	
Jan. 15.	" " " G. R. Underwood, Order No. 35	20.00	
Jan. 15.	" " " G. R. Underwood, Order No. 36	15.00	
Feb. 18.	" " " N. B. Honeycutt, Order No. 43	25.00	
Jan. 16.	" " " S. B. Klapp, Order No. 37	10.00	
June 1.	" " " T. J. Bland, Order No. 49	10.00	
Nov. 16.	By Commissions on above Orders, $110, at 1½ per cent	1.65	
Nov. 16.	To Balance due me	14.03	
		$113.01	$113.01

CONTINGENT FUND.

1891.			
Nov. 16.	To Balance on hand at last report		$ 93.34
Nov. 16.	To Collections at last Conference		53.41
Nov. 16.	By Commissions on $53.41, at 1½ per cent	$ .80	
1890.			
Nov. 19.	By Cash paid J. L. Foster on Order No. 25	1.94	
1891.			
March 3.	By Cash paid J. L. Foster on Order No. 44	7.50	
Sept. 26.	" " " J. L. Foster on Order No. 53	10.89	
Nov. 16.	By Commissions on three orders, as above, $20.33, at 1½ per cent	.30	
Nov. 16.	By Balance on hand	125.32	
		$146.75	$146.75

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. HATCH,
Treasurer N. C. and Va. Conference.

Discussed and adopted.

Remarks in regard to the Mrs. Susan Phillips fund were made, and, on motion, a committee of three was appointed to investigate the investment, the let, loan or deposit of the said fund with the Raleigh church. The following committee was appointed: W. H. Hatch, J. H. Fleming, P. T. Klapp.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DIVISION OF THE CONFERENCE.

WHEREAS, The territory included within the bounds of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference is so extensive as to make it very inconvenient and expensive for this body to assemble; and

WHEREAS, The body has grown unwieldy on account of increased membership; therefore,

Resolved, That we ask the next session of the General Convention to divide the territory of the Conference on somewhat the following lines.

Beginning where the Lynchburg & Durham railroad crosses the Eno river; thence with said railroad to the Virginia line; thence East and North to include Mecklenburg County, Virginia, and thence West to the Alleghany mountains, including all the counties bordering North Carolina; thence South along the Western borders to the North Carolina railroad to a point West of High Point, N. C.; thence east to include Liberty, Randolph County, Pleasant Hill and Clover Orchard to the corner of Orange County, N. C.; thence North with the county line to the North Carolina Railroad near Mebane, N. C.; thence East with the railroad to Hillsboro, N. C.; thence with Eno river to the beginning.

J. W. HOLT,
W. G. CLEMENTS,
Committee.

After discussion, the vote was taken and the report lost.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH ORDINANCES AND ASSESSMENTS.

Your Committee, to which was referred the matter of Church Ordinances and Assessments, ask leave to report:

1. That whenever, in any case, a pastor fails to attend to the administration of ordinances of the church, that he shall state the cause of such neglect in his annual report to this body.

2. That this Conference appoint a Committee on Finance, whose duty it shall be to apportion and equalize all assessments made by this Conference for all purposes whatever, and report annually all churches in arrears.

3. That when any church fails to comply with the calls made by Conference, that it shall have the privilege, and it shall be its duty, to report to Conference the cause of such failure.

W. S. LONG,
J. W. WELLONS,
T. W. STROUD,
Committee.

Discussed at length, and then adopted.

The President appointed the Committee as follows, as provided in section 2: A. F. Iseley, J. H. Moring, J. A. Jones.

The President announced the following Standing Committees:

Education—Revs. W. S. Long, W. T. Herndon, J. W. Wellons, S. Apple.
Home Missions—J. W. Holt, J. D. Wicker, W. N Pritchard.
Foreign Missions—P. T. Klapp, E. T. Pierce. G. R. Underwood.
Temperance—W. H. Hatch, J. A. Jones, A. F. Iseley.
Religious Literature—J. L. Foster, W. G. Clements, C. C. Peele.
Sabbath-Schools—T. W. Stroud, J. H. Moring, S. B Klapp.
Church Extension—E. T. Iseley, D. S. Farmer. W. H. Roach.
Executive Committee—J. W. Wellons, W. G. Clements, J. D. Wicker.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We acknowledge, with profound gratitude, the success with which our humble efforts have been blest in this department of our work, not only in the liberality of the amount given, but especially for the continued prosperity which our Heavenly Father has been pleased to bestow.

Furthermore, we are grateful for the success with which our missions have met; but it is a lamentable thing to know that the Christians of Japan are undergoing a wonderful trial. Indeed, it seems as if they are bordering upon a fearful crisis. If there ever was a time when our prayers should go up to our God as the prayer of one man for this cause, now is the time. We fear that we have neither prayed for nor given of our means to the support of this enterprise, as it has been our privilege and duty. The church must realize that the heathen have a claim on it; and furthermore, it must realize its responsibility for the heathen. "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." Hence the religion of our Lord Jesus Christ is worthy to be commended to the whole world, for it is the only religion that frees the soul from spiritual bondage. It lifts man above the ordinary animal and brings him into close relationship with his Maker. What good will it do to tell our brother who is starving that we have bread, unless we send him some? The religion of our Lord Jesus Christ is the only religion that is missionary, and the responsibility of sending it abroad in the land rests upon God's people; and whereas, the prosperity of the foreign missionary work depends upon the liberality of the church in giving of its means to support and carry on said work in foreign lands, be it

Resolved, 1, That this Conference require each of its preachers having charge of pastoral work to make special effort to show each congregation its responsibility respecting said work; or,

2. That our pastors strive to get the young men and young women of their congregations to become more interested in this work, knowing, as we do, that unless they are used they can never be useful. Get them to put forth a personal effort to raise the amount required.

3. That the pastors see that a day be set apart for each of their Sunday-schools, to be called the Children's Day, the object of which shall be to raise money for said work; or,

4. That the ministers of this Conference make an honest effort to get each member of his congregation to lay aside one penny per week for said work.

5. That we ask the churches for not less than the following amounts: Antioch, $4; Apple's Chapel, $10; Bethlehem, $15; Christian Chapel, $10; Catawba Springs, $8; Damascus, $10; Ebenezer, $5; Good Hope, $5; Hines, Chapel, $7; Hank's Chapel, $10; Hayes' Chapel, $6; Howard's Chapel, $5; Hebron (Va.), $6; Kallam's Grove, $4; Liberty (V.), $10; Lebanon, $6; Mt. Bethel, $5; Moore Union, $5; Martha's Chapel, $7; Mt. Carmel, $4; New Elam, $10; New Providence, $20; New Hill, $2; New Hope, $8; Keyser, $7; Mt. Pleasant, $2; Youngsville, $8; Pleasant Grove (J.), $2; Grace's Chapel, $3; Union Chapel (C), $2; Auburn, $5; Egypt, $2; Long's Chapel, $7; Walnut Grove, $5; O'Kelley's Chapel, $10; Oak Level, $8; Pleasant Hill (C), $6; Pleasant Grove (Va.), $20; Pleasant Union, $3; Pleasant Hill (J), $3; Pope's Chapel, $7; Pleasant Ridge, $2; Poplar Branch, $4; Raleigh, $5; Shallow Well, $8; Salem Chapel, $5; Shallow Ford, $4; Union (Va.), $7; Union (N. C.) $20; Wake Chapel, $8; Zion, $7; Bethany, $3; Christian Light, $2; Durham, $5; Amelia, $2; Liberty (R.), $4; Clover Orchard, $4.50; Burlington, $6; Plymouth, $3; Turner's Chapel, $3; Concord, $3; Mt. Auburn, $15; Winder, $5; Happy Home, $4; Centre Grove, $2; Sage Garden, $2; High Point, $4; Mt. Hermon, $3; Morrisville, $4; Mt. Zion, $4; Big Falls, $2; Spilona, $2; Ingram, $5; Elon, $5; Bethel, $3.

P. T. KLAPP,
W. S. LONG,
E. T. PIERCE,
Committee.

Discussed by Rev. P. T. Klapp, who made a very strong argument in behalf of Foreign Missions.

A collection was taken amounting to $11.43. The report was adopted.

The following accounts were presented and allowed, and Secretary instructed to draw orders for the same: Rev. J. D. Wicker, for expenses attending the meeting of Committee on Home Missions and visiting two churches, as directed by Conference, $2.00; Rev. S. B. Klapp, expenses attending meeting of the Committee on Home Missions, $1.10; Rev. W. G. Clements, expenses visiting High Point, as directed by last Conference, $3.00.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE RALEIGH CHURCH.

Your Committee submit the following:

We find the church in good and healthy condition; all its liabilities paid; membership increasing; its influence spreading, with a good live Sabbath-school and an active Aid Society in the church.

The church, with its Aid Society, proposes to raise $300 for the support of its pastor; from the Home Mission Fund $150, making a total of $450. We could not ask the pastor to serve for less than $600.

Therefore we recommend, that the Conference raise $100 by volunteer subscriptions, and allow the pastor to take per month one Sabbath forenoon to preach elsewhere, to raise the deficiency in salary.

W. H. HATCH,
J. W. WELLONS,
A. P. BARBEE,
Committee.

The report was discussed and adopted. Subscriptions called for, and the amount secured as recommended.

The following resolution was offered, and, on motion, was adopted:

That the President, Rev. P. H. Fleming, of this Conference, be required to visit the church at High Point, as soon as possible, and ascertain the practical condition of the church, and report to the next session of this body.

The Chair appointed the following Elders as an ordaining presbytery: Revs. W. S. Long, J. W. Wellons and S. Apple.

Adjourned forty-five minutes for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION—FOURTH DAY.

Conference called to order.

On motion, it was ordered that the proceedings of this Conference be published in the ANNUAL by the *Christian Sun* office.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

We, your Committee, respectfully report:

We find reported last session 55 schools, with a total attendance of 3,381. We find 55 schools reported this session, with an attendance of 3,100; showing a loss of 281.

We regret that so few of our schools report themselves to this body.

J. H. MORING,
P. T. WAY,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

The Committee on the ANNUAL reported:

About 675 have been ordered and paid for. There are eighteen churches which have not taken any. A. L. ALLEN.

Names of the churches were called, and quite an additional number secured.

The report was amended, that the Conference order 900 copies printed, and if the publishers could not sell the entire number, Conference is to pay for those not disposed of.

The report, as amended, was adopted.

Resolved, that the thanks of this body are due and are hereby tendered to this church and the community for their very hospitable entertainment of the present session of this Conference; and also to the railroad officials for reduced rates to and from this Conference.

The resolution was adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

The following resolution was adopted, and the Secretary ordered to forward a copy:

We pray that those who may be in authority at the World's Fair, to be held at Chicago during the year 1893, strictly observe and keep holy the Sabbath day during the Exposition.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due and are hereby tendered to Rev. P. H. Fleming for the very able and impartial manner in which he has presided over this body; also, the same to Rev. J. L. Foster for services as Secretary, and may God ever help and support them.

The resolution was adopted.

By motion, Conference decided to go into the election of delegates to the next General Convention, to be held next May, 1892.

The following laymen were nominated: S. P. Read, F. O. Moring, Jesse Winburn, J. A. Mills, W. H. Hatch, W. N. Pritchard, E. T. Pierce, W. C. Iseley, and, on motion, they were elected by acclamation.

The following Elders were nominated: W. T. Herndon, J. W. Wellons, W. S. Long, J. W. Holt, W. G. Clements, P. T. Klapp, P. H. Fleming, J. L. Foster, and, on motion, they were elected by acclamation.

The following laymen were elected alternates: A. L. Allen, J. J. Russell, J. W. Harden, J. H. Moring, T. J. Haskins, C. S. Holloman, J. W. Foster, W. A. McCauly.

The following ministers were elected alternates: E. T. Iseley, C. C. Peele, A. F. Iseley, J. D. Wicker, J. A. Jones, S. B. Klapp, N. B. Honeycutt, W. H. Roach.

By motion, Conference decided to ask the Committee of the General Convention to consider Raleigh as a suitable place for holding the next session of that body.

Rev. W. S. Long then proceeded to license as probationers Bros. J. W. Parker, J. W. Fuquay and A. P. Barbee.

The Presbytery then proceeded to ordain Revs. P. T. Way, L. W. Mangum and T. B. Dawson to the office of elders in this Conference. At the close of the ordaining service the congregation sang "God be with you till we meet again."

On motion, Conference requested any brother visiting a sister Conference to bear the fraternal greetings of this body.

This Conference requests the General Convention to revise *the church letter*, and prepare a letter of transfer for church members.

On motion, Conference adjourned to meet with the church at Wake Chapel, Wake County, N. C., on Tuesday, 10 A. M., after the third Sunday in November, 1892.

Thus closed one of the most prosperous years of our work, and the most happy, harmonious and enthusiastic sessions ever held by this body.

Prayer by Rev. P. H. Fleming. Benediction by Rev. Solomon Apple.

JAS. L. FOSTER, Secretary,
Raleigh, N. C.

W. C. WICKER, Assistant Secretary,
Elon College, N. C.

P. H. FLEMING, President,
Graham, N. C.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

Rev. Solomon Apple preached at Lebanon and Mount Pisgah; 4 funerals.

Rev. J. W. Holt served 3 churches; 95 sermons; lectures, 20; prayer-meetings, 15.

Rev. J. W. Hatch; sermons, 20; funerals, 3.

Rev. P. H. Fleming served 4 churches; sermons, 104; conversions, 178; funerals, 6.

Rev. Jas. L. Foster served 3 churches; sermons, 152; prayer-meetings, 45; funerals, 5.

Rev. N. B. Honeycutt; sermons, 75; conversions, 6.

Rev. E. T. Iseley served 3 churches; sermons 97; prayer-meetings, 20.

Rev. A. F. Iseley served 4 churches; sermons, 91; conversions, 206; funerals, 14.

Rev. J. A. Jones; 4 churches; sermons, 108; prayer-meetings, 25; conversions, 52; funerals, 9.

Rev. S. B. Klapp served 4 churches; sermons, 158; prayer-meetings, 45; conversions, 68; funerals, 6.

Rev. J. W. Patton served 1 church in the N. C. and Va. C. C. and 3 in the D. R. C. C.; sermons, 100; conversions, 62.

Rev. W. H. Roach, 4 churches; sermons, 88; conversions, 146; funerals, 16.

Rev. T. W. Stroud, 2 churches; sermons, 65; conversions, 25.

Rev. T. B. Dawson; sermons, 20; prayer-meetings, 10.

Rev. H. L. Hines; sermons, 20.

Rev. L. W. Mangum, churches, 2; sermons, 67; conversions, 12; funerals, 12.

Rev. C. H. Rowland, 1 mission point; sermons 33; conversions, 6.

Rev. P. T. Way, 3 churches; sermons, 100; conversions, 33.

Rev. W. C. Wicker, 1 church; sermons, 40; prayer-meetings, 25; conversions, 15.

Rev. J. A. Whiteman, 4 churches; sermons, 104; conversions, 25.

Rev. J. W. Fonville, 1 church; conversions, 12.

Rev. R. G. Tinnen, no charge; marriages, 6.

Rev. J. W. Pinnix, no charge.

Rev. M. L. Winston, no charge; 25 sermons; 5 funerals.

Rev. D. R. Yarbrough, 1 church; sermons, 51.

Rev. L. C. Madison, no charge.

Rev. G. R. Underwood served 4 churches; sermons, 157; conversions, 30; prayer-meetings, 20.

Rev. W. G. Glemen's, 3 churches; sermons, 105; prayer-meetings, 30; conversions, 55.

Rev. J. D. Wicker, 4 churches; sermons, 140; prayer-meetings, 26; conversions, 56; funerals, 8.

Rev. W. S. Long, 1 church; sermons, 56; addresses, 20; funerals, 6.

Rev. J. W. Wellons, churches, 5; sermons, 145; conversions, 71; funerals, 14.

Rev. C. A. Boon, 4 churches; sermons, 73.

Rev. P. T. Klapp, 5 churches; 126 sermons; prayer-meetings, 45; conversions, 100; funerals, 6.

Rev. D. F. Jones, missionary in Japan.

STATISTICAL TABLE OF THE NORTH CAROLINA AND VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE.

SIXTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION—NOVEMBER, 1891.

CHURCH DIRECTORY.			CHURCH STATISTICS.								S. SCHOOL STATISTICS.						FINANCIAL STATISTICS.									
CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	SECRETARIES AND POST-OFFICES.	Number Reported Last Session.	Received Since.	Dis'd by Letter.	Suspended.	Withdrawn.	Died.	Expelled.	Present Membership.	No. of S. Schools.	No. Bible Classes.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Pupils.	No. Volumes in Library.	Total Connected with S. School.	Amount paid Pastors.	For Schools.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	To Educate Young Preachers.	Church Extension.	Contingent Fund.	For Other Purposes.	Total Amount Collected.	Value of Church Property.
Antioch	C. A. Boone	Eddie Oldham, Peddler's Hill, N. C	75	6						81	1	2	6	65		71	$35 15	$	$1 96	$1 50	$	$	$ 80	$	$39 41	$300 00
Apple's Chapel	A. F. Iseley	Z. Chrisman, Liberty Store, N. C	207	12	6			1	1	211	1	2	8	49		57	75 30		8 00	5 45				39 85	128 60	1,200 00
Auburn	J. L. Foster	William Watts, Auburn, N. C	36		1		1	1		33	1	1	4	20		21	69 14		4 00	1 50	1 00	90	30		76 84	800 00
Amelia			14							325						152										
Big Falls	W. H. Roach	J. M. Turner, Big Falls, N. C	15	17						32	1	2	7	52		59	31 45		1 00					6 00	38 45	
Bethlehem	W. T. Herndon	L. D. Rippy, Shallow Ford, N. C	309	25	7	43		7		280	1	2	10	80	50	90	125 00		30 00	15 00	8 00	11 68	3 09	25 55	218 32	1,500 00
Beulah	S. B. Klapp	J. T. Hagwood, Rolesville, N. C	62	5			2			65	1	1	6	70		76	118 00		1 25	2 00	93	75	65	175 00	298 58	300 00
Burlington	C. C. Peel	W. E. Holt, Burlington, N. C	50	21			1			70			41				250 00		6 00	6 00	5 00	2 50	50	1,250 00	1,520 00	1,300 00
Bethany	E. T. Iseley	J. S. Cardon, Blackwood, N. C	31			11				20							50 00		2 00	2 10		1 55	24	50 00	105 89	400 00
Catawba Springs	W. H. Roach	T. M. Franks, Raleigh, N. C	76	7		1				82	1	2	7	40	30	47	100 00		15 00	3 00			82	30 00	148 82	700 00
Christian Chapel	J. A. Jones	E. S. Mann, Goff, N. C	80		4	4		1		171	1	4	11	54	25	65	75 00						1 50	300 00	376 50	500 00
Concord	T. W. Stroud	A. J. Thompson, Milesville, N. C	54		1		1	1		51							36 06		7 50	3 00			50	19 10	66 16	800 00
Centre Grove	J. W. Holt	F. L. Bland, Tysor's Mills, N. C	40	1			2	1	1	37	1	4	7	42		49	80 00		1 50	1 00		1 00	37	66 70	150 57	1,000 00
Christian Light	G. R. Underwood	J. R. Brown, May, N. C	35	12				1		46	1	3	5	37		42	57 69		2 50	2 50		2 50		125 00	190 19	800 00
Clover Orchard	A. F. Iseley	John C. Griffin, Holman's Mills, N. C	22	82						104	1	4	6	85		91	36 90							60 00	96 90	250 00
Damascus	W. G. Clements	M. A. McCauley, Chapel Hill, N. C	108	11	7		1	3		108	1	4	6	45		51	125 00		20 00	12 00	5 00	5 40	1 08	750 00	918 48	1,200 00
Durham	W. G. Clements	J. M. McLennon, Durham, N. C	49	20		2		2		65	1	4	7	55	36	62	61 62		5 00	5 00	2 50	2 45	49		77 06	1,800 00
Ebenezer	T. W. Stroud	J. N. Carpenter, Raleigh, N. C	80	5	2				1	82	1	1	6	84	25	90	60 25		7 50	5 00	3 00	4 00	80	15 00	95 55	300 00
Egypt	G. R. Underwood	William Gunter, Egypt Depot, N. C	42	6					13	35	1	5	7	56		63	100 00		1 52	1 51			33	130 00	233 36	
Grace's Chapel	P. T. Way	J. N. Johnson, Sanford, N. C	79	14				1	1	91	1	2	9	75		84	55 50								55 50	700 00
Good Hope	J. W. Wellons	Carrie Lyons, Pocomoke, N. C	66	7				1		72	1	1	5	36		41	75 00		4 00	2 18	75	1 00	75	8 00	91 68	500 00
Hank's Chapel	J. D. Wicker	W. A. Hatch, Pittsboro, N. C	115	20	6			3	1	128	1	3	7	61		68	75 00		7 29	2 43			1 28	12 00	98 00	300 00
Happy Home		F. W. Foster, Oregon, N. C	52	3		7	3			45			88		50	1079								23 00	23 00	800 00
Hayes' Chapel	J. L. Foster	J. W. Pool, Garner, N. C	92	6	6			1	1	90	1	2	6		50	56	97 30		5 00	6 00	4 00	4 60	92	4 00	121 82	800 00
Hebron	E. T. Iseley	R. H. Yancey, Buffalo Junction, Va	78	3	4	31		1		45	1	2	2	30	18	32	84 25		10 00	6 00	56	3 90	78	65 00	170 49	750 00
Hines' Chapel	A. F. Iseley	W. A. Heath, Greensboro, N. C	177	18	3			1		191	1	2	9	50		59	80 80		5 70	2 00			1 50	20 00	110 00	800 00
Howard's Chapel			68							1910																
High Point	W. H. Roach	J. C. Lewis, High Point, N. C	44	15			1	2	1	55	1	2	5	85		90	12 50		4 00	1 00				18 85	36 35	1,500 00
Keyser	P. T. Klapp	John A. Mills, Keyser, N. C	22	2						24	1	2	5	40	100	45	150 00		8 00	9 19	3 50	1 22			171 91	1,000 00
Kallum Grove			75										27													
Lebanon	P. H. Fleming	Dora Covington, Semora, N. C	121	13				3	6	125	1	3	10	75		85	100 00		10 00	6 00	6 00	6 05	1 21	30 00	159 26	2,000 00
Liberty (V.)	J. W. Wellons	W. A. Cunningham, Epsom, N. C	109	34			1	2	2	138	1	2	8	60		68	100 00		7 50	7 00	4 00	2 10	1 05	7 00	128 65	1,000 00
Liberty (R.)	C. A. Boone	O. T. Hatch, Liberty, N. C	39	1	4		4			32	1	2	6	40		46	36 60		2 00	2 00	1 50	1 95	39	49 00	93 44	1,000 00
Long's Chapel	P. H. Fleming	W. J. Fitch, McCray, N. C	104	3				2	2	103	1	1	8	61		69	125 00		12 50	7 00	5 00	2 00	1 00	135 00	278 50	1,000 00
Mount Auburn	P. T. Klapp	S. P. Read, Palmer's Springs, Va	153	10			2			161	1	1	8	60	70	68	150 00		16 00	15 00	6 00		1 58		188 58	500 00
Mount Bethel	John A. Whiteman	J. M. Sharp, Bason, N. C	69	5		23		1		50	1	3	6	50	2	56	60 00						50	160 00	220 50	800 00
Mount Carmel	J. W. Wellons	W. J. Wilson, Wilton, N. C	35	3		3		1		34	1	2	9	40	50	49	25 50		1 25	75	25	30	25	10 00	38 30	500 00
Mount Hermon	J. A. Jones	J. L. Banks, Penny, N. C	46	11	2				3	52	1	1	7	54		61	32 80		4 00	2 49			53		39 82	700 00
Mount Zion	J. W. Fonville	Mrs. Mary Bradley, Pleasant Grove, N. C	59	8			1			66	1	1	5	57	87	62	70 00	2 03	5 00					100 00	177 03	600 50
Mount Pleasant	G. R. Underwood	J. A. Wright, Winder, N. C	26	5		1				30	1	2	3	20		23	50 00		1 00	1 00		18	36	32 25	84 79	500 00
Martha's Chapel	J. D. Wicker	W. Wilson, Rialto, Chatham Co., N. C	61	2						63	1	3	8	68	12	76	75 00	135 00						25 00	235 00	1,000 00
Moore Union			69							854			78			965										
Morrisville	J. O. Atkinson	J. H. Moring, Morrisville, N. C	49	3	4			3		45	1	2	3	27	75	30	72 00		10 00	2 00	3 00	2 45	49	10 00	99 94	500 00
New Elam	P. T. Klapp	W. G. Lassiter, Merry Oaks, N. C	175	8	1	57	8		3	114	1	3	11	100	100	111	125 00		15 00	10 00	6 00	5 00	1 00	15 00	177 00	
New Hope	S. B. Klapp	W. R. Rogers, Riley's Cross Roads, N. C	125	1		76	1		3	46	1	3	7	45		52	49 10		2 08	1 90	1 00	2 00	44		56 52	500 00
New Hill	E. T. Iseley	E. B. Seagraves, New Hill, N. C	20	1						21							30 00		2 00	1 00					33 00	500 00
New Providence	P. H. Fleming	J. L. Long, Jr., Graham, N. C	207	30	17			3		223	1	2	10	88	200	98	225 00		23 91	12 00	5 00	6 00	2 00	211 12	485 03	2,500 00
O'Kelley's Chapel	J. D. Wicker	G. S. Holleman, Williams' Mills, N. C	96	4						100	1	3	9	55	100	64	100 00		11 22	8 60					119 82	600 00
Oak Level	J. D. Wicker	Annie L. Bridges, Youngsville, N. C	118	9			4		1	122	1	1	9	66	100	75	125 00		20 00	8 00	2 00	1 00	1 22		157 22	800 00
Pleasant Grove (Va.)	P. T. Klapp	D. S. Farmer, New's Ferry, Va	200	10	2			2		206	1	3	9	70		79	300 00	200 00	30 00	20 00	8 00	10 30	2 06	250 25	820 61	3 000 00
Pleasant Hill (C.)	A. F. Iseley	D. H. Albright, Sandy Grove, N. C	137	15		24	1	3	1	123	1	1	9	80	120	89	55 00		4 00	3 00	1 10	1 10	1 00	17 00	82 20	1,000 00
Pleasant Union	N. B. Honeycutt	W. J. Long, Bowie's Creek, N. C	51	6			1			56	1	2	4	40		44			2 50	3 00		1 77	56		7 83	400 00
Pleasant Hill (J.)	L. W. Mangum	R. L. Alston, Elevation, N. C	86	6	1	1		2	2	86							24 55							1 92	25 47	500 00
Pleasant Ridge	J. W. Patton	J. H. Barker, Summerfield, N. C	65	17		2	4	1		75	1	2	5	40		45	75 00		4 35						79 35	500 00
Pope's Chapel	J. W. Wellons	A. L. Allen, Franklinton, N. C	64				1	1		162	1	1	5	20		25	120 00		11 00	7 00	5 00	3 28	1 75	15 00	163 03	1,000 00
Poplar Branch	P. T. Way	Jordan Parrish, Jonesboro, N. C	35	1	1		2	1		32							38 75			2 20					40 95	1,000 00
Plymouth	J. A. Jones	J. W. Roads, Banks, N. C	78	4	1	2		1		78	1	6	6	90		96	46 00		4 00	1 00	1 00		80	35 00	87 80	500 00
Pleasant Grove (J.)	L. W. Mangum	Edwin S. Coates, Pratt, N. C	17							17			57			808	3 50		2 00	1 00	1 00	85	17		8 42	650 00
Palmyra			20							1506																
Raleigh	J. L. Foster	D. J. Mood, Raleigh, N. C	[illegible]	9	1			1		36	1	1	6	52		58	263 00	155 00	7 50	5 00	3 00	1 75	35	214 52	650 12	7,000 00
Spilona	J. A. Jones	R. L. Lasater, Spilona, N. C	31	20						51	1	1	8	45		53	50 00		1 55	1 10			21		52 86	700 00
Shallow Ford	W. C. Wicker	W. D. Walker, Burlington, N. C	[illegible]	15	2			1		136	1	6	8	50	10	58	52 00		9 00	5 00	3 00	2 65	1 36	45 00	118 01	1,200 00
Shallow Well	G. R. Underwood	M. H. Holley, Jonesboro, N. C								79	1	4	4	60		64	100 00			5 00				80 00	185 00	800 00
Salem Chapel	J. W. Holt	P. W. Dalton, Salem Chapel, N. C			7	2	7	2	2	106	1	2	6	45		51	93 68		5 56	2 00	1 50	1 50	1 08	16 95	122 27	600 00
Sage Garden	W. H. Roach	J. A. Holder, Kernersville, N. C				4	2			18							41 12		3 00	1 00		65	26		46 03	500 00
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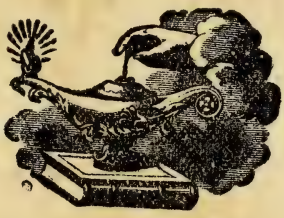

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1. CHRIST IS OUR ONLY HEAD.
2. CHRISTIAN IS OUR ONLY NAME,
3. THE BIBLE IS OUR ONLY GUIDE IN FAITH AND PRACTICE,
4. CHRISTIAN CHARACTER IS OUR ONLY TEST OF FELLOWSHIP.
5. THE RIGHT OF PRIVATE JUDGMENT AND THE LIBERTY OF CONSCIENCE ARE ACCORDED TO ALL.

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TRUNKS, BAGS, SATCHELS, CANES,—WHITING BROS., RALEIGH, N. C.

ECLIPSES.

In 1893 there will be two eclipses, both of the sun.

I. A total eclipse of the sun, April 16, 1893, not visible in any part of North America. The whole eclipse is confined to parts of the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans, South America, Africa and parts of Europe and Asia.

II. An Annular Eclipse of the sun October 9, 1893. The annular phase is visible only in the Pacific Ocean, except on a small part of the western portion of South America. It is visible as a partial eclipse along the western portion of North America.

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MOON'S PHASES.

	DAY.	HOUR.	MIN.	
JANUARY.				
Full Moon,	2	8	41	morning.
Third Quarter,	9	5	28	evening.
New Moon,	17	8	28	"
First Quarter,	25	1	27	morning.
Full Moon,	31	9	11	evening.
FEBRUARY.				
Third Quarter,	8	3	12	"
New Moon,	16	11	17	morning.
First Quarter,	23	9	14	"
MARCH.				
Full Moon,	2	11	3	"
Third Quarter,	10	0	14	evening.
New Moon,	17	11	34	"
First Quarter,	24	4	33	"
APRIL.				
Full Moon,	1	2	18	morning.
Third Quarter,	9	6	35	"
New Moon,	16	9	35	"
First Quarter,	23	0	26	"
Full Moon,	30	6	23	evening.

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	DAY.	HOUR.	MIN.	
MAY.				
Third Quarter,	8	9	24	"
New Moon,	15	5	47	"
First Quarter,	26	9	52	morning.
Full Moon,	30	10	23	"
JUNE.				
Third Quarter,	7	8	43	morning.
New Moon,	14	0	51	"
First Quarter,	20	9	37	evening.
Full Moon,	29	1	25	morning.
JULY.				
Third Quarter,	6	5	6	evening.
New Moon,	13	7	47	morning.
First Quarter,	20	0	3	evening.
Full Moon,	28	3	10	"
AUGUST.				
Third Quarter,	4	11	23	"
New Moon,	11	3	48	"
First Quarter,	19	4	52	morning.
Full Moon,	27	3	43	"
SEPTEMBER.				
Third Quarter,	3	4	42	"
New Moon,	10	2	5	"
First Quarter,	17	11	19	evening.
Full Moon,	25	3	23	morning.
OCTOBER.				
Third Quarter,	2	10	19	"
New Moon,	9	3	27	evening.
First Quarter,	17	6	20	evening.
Full Moon,	25	2	28	morning.
Third Quarter,	31	5	43	evening.
NOVEMBER.				
New Moon,	8	7	57	morning.
First quarter,	16	0	45	evening.
Full Moon,	23	1	8	evening.
Third Quarter,	30	4	8	morning.
DECEMBER.				
Full Moon,	8	2	40	"
First Quarter,	16	5	31	"
Full Moon,	22	11	37	evening.
Third quarter,	29	6	18	evening.

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REV. MILLS BURWELL BARRETT.

REV. MILLS BURWELL BARRETT was born in Norfolk County, Virginia, September 6, 1828. His parents were Rev. Mills Barrett and Sarah J., his wife. He was a grandson of Rev. Burwell Barrett, who was a pioneer in the Christian movement. Rev Mills B. Barrett was twice married; his last wife survives him, and four children by his first wife. He began preaching at the age of nineteen, and was ordained to the office of Elder in the Christian Church at Antioch church, Isle of Wight County, Virginia, October 31, 1850, and spent over forty years in the active work of the ministry, winning many souls to Christ. He died at his home in Southampton County, Virginia, very suddenly, April 14, 1891. As a pulpit orator he was especially gifted, and when at his best, was a most captivating preacher. But his journey is ended, and he has gone to his reward, loved and lamented by a large circle of friends and brethren.

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REV. ROBERT ANTHONY RICKS.

REV. ROBERT ANTHONY RICKS was born in Southampton County, Virginia, November 11, 1854. His parents were Collin and Louisa Ricks. Rev. R. A. Ricks married, November 18, 1886, Miss Sallie Haskins, of Mecklenburg County, Virginia, who with two bright children, survive him. He was ordained to the gospel ministry in 1881, at Liberty Spring, Nansemond County, Virginia. For ten years he was actively engaged in preaching the gospel, and in that time he developed rare gifts as a sermonizer and writer. He wrote the History of the Home Mission Work in the Eastern Virginia Conference, and had been chosen by the General Convention to write a History of the Christian Church. In November, 1890, he was called to pastoral work at Burlington, North Carolina, where he did, in a few months, the finest work of his life, and fell dead in the pulpit on Sunday, April 26, 1891, without a moment's warning of the approach of the Death Angel. He thus died in the beginning of his prime, and went to his reward, lamented by the brotherhood and a large circle of personal admirers.

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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH SOUTH

HELD AT

1892

ELON COLLEGE, NORTH CAROLINA, MAY 21, 23, 24, 1893.

ELON COLLEGE, N. C.,
SATURDAY, MAY 21, 1892.

The General Convention of the Christian Church met at Elon College today, May 21, 1892, at 2:30 p. m., and was called to order by the President. Rev. J. W. Wellons led the Convention in Prayer.

Certificates of election were handed in and members were enrolled from the different Conferences as follows:

North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference—Ministers: J. W. Holt, W. T. Herndon, J. L. Foster, P. H. Fleming, W. S. Long, D. D., J. W. Wellons, W. G. Clements, C. C. Peel;

Laymen: W. C. Isley, J. H. Moring.

Eastern Virginia Christian Conference—Ministers: M. L. Hurley, W. W. Staley, M. W. Butler, H. H. Butler;

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Laymen: P. H. Lee, T. R. Gaskins, Col. A. Savage, E. E. Holland.

Valley Virginia Christian Conference—Ministers: E. T. Isley.

Deep River Christian Conference—Laymen: Prof. E. L. Moffitt.

Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference—not represented.

A quorum being present, the Convention proceeded to the election of officers, which resulted in the unanimous election of the following;

Rev. W. W. Staley, President.

Rev. J. W. Wellons, Vice-President.

Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Assistant Secretary.

The Secretary, P. J. Kernodle, and Treasurer, A. Moring, being present the Convention was declared duly organized and ready for the transaction of business.

Rev. T. M. McWhinney, D. D., of Franklin, Ohio, Rev. C. J. Jones. D. D., of Norfolk, Va., Revs. J. U. Newman, Ph. D., W. C. Wicker. and C. A. Boone, of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, were respectively invited to seats as deliberative members.

The President, Rev. W. W. Staley, proceeded to deliver the address to the Convention.

On motion, the President was asked to furnish a copy of his address to the Christian Sun for publication with a request that the Weekly Observer and Herald of Gospel Liberty publish the same.

On motion of Rev. J. W. Holt a committee of three—Rev. J. W. Wellons, Rev. M. L. Hurley, Col. A. Savage—to take into consideration the recommendations of the

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President's address, and report the same to the different committees, was appointed.

The President appointed Revs. P. H. Fleming, M. W. Butler, and W. T. Herndon, to fill vacancies in the Committee on Publications.

The report from the Executive Committee was read, and, after some remarks by the chairman of the committee, was on motion of Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., adopted.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

On September 15th 1890, we appointed W. S. Long, J. W. Wellons, M. L. Hurley, J. P. Barrett, W. W. Staley, J. D. Elder, A. Savage, E. A. Moffitt, and E. Sipe, a "Board of Commissioners" and authorized them to attend the American Christian Convention, held at Marion Indiana, in October of that year, and to confer with a similar Board from that Convention on the subject of reunion. They were authorized to act for this Convention, except that their action was subject to the ratification of this body. Our sesson for such action was duly published at the time, and the result of their labors has been made known also through the church organ, and what they did has been ratified by most of the Conferences, and now awaits final ratification by this Convention.

On December 19th, 1891, we approved the action of the committee on Publications in accepting the resignation of Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., as Publishing Agent, and the election of Rev. W. G. Clements as his successor in office till the meeting of the General Convention in May 1892.

At the same time we accepted the risignation of Mrs. J. P. Barrett, as Treasurer of the "Children's Missionary Band" or "Children's Educational Secretary," and elected as her successor, Mrs. J. L. Foster, who has filled the position for the unexpired term.

Complying with numerous requests, we appointed Elon College, N. C., and May 21st, as the place and time for the present meeting of the Convention.

W. W. STALEY.
E. E. HOLLAND.
P. J. KERNODLE.
Committee.

May 21st, 1892.

On motion of Rev. J. W. Holt a paper read by him him was referred to a committee on Revision. Revs. J. W. Wellons and W. G. Clements, and E. E. Holland, Esq., were appointed a committee on revision.

On motion of Rev. H. H. Butler, Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., Prof. E. L. Moffitt, and Rev. J. W. Wellons were made a committee on religious exercises.

The Committee announced Rev. Dr. McWhinney to

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to preach at Elon College at 11 A. M. tomorrow and at Burlington at 8 P. M.; Rev. Dr. Jones to preach at Burlington at 11 A. M. and at the College at 8 P. M.; and Rev. J. W. Wellons and Rev. M. W. Butler to preach at Union Church.

The Treasurer A. Moring, Esq., handed in his report which was read, and on motion was referred to a committee on Finance.

REPORT OF A. MORING, TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

1890.		
Due Convention on last report - - - - - - - -	$438.24	
Dec. 5. Received of Rev. J. P. Barrett - - - - -	38.90	
1892.		
Jan. 12. Received from Eastern Virginia Conference -	275.00	
Feb. 12. Received of Rev. W. G. Clements - - - - -	20.00	
April. Received of Rev. W. G. Clements - - - - -	100.00	
May. On comparing with my late bank acct. find excess of -	16.87	
		$889.01
1891.		
March. Paid Rev. J. P. Barrett - - - - - - - -	$ 20.00	
1892.		
Feb. 15. Paid Rev. W. G. Clements - - - - - -	650.00	
April. Paid Rev. W. G. Clements - - - - - - -	80.90	
Commission of 2 % - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	9.03	
		759.93
Balance - - - - - - - - - - - - - -		$129.08

EDUCATION

On hand last report - - - - - - - - - - - -	$158.88	
1891.		
Dec. 29. Received of Minnie Mason - - - - - - - -	32.97	
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Mar. 23. Paid D. M. Williams - - - - - - - - -	$51.50	
Paid W. C. Wicker - - - - - - - - - - - -	51.20	
Paid J. P. Pleasants - - - - - - - - - - - -	51.50	
		154.25
Balance - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -		37.60

FOR MISSIONS

1891.		
Jan. 28. Received of Rev. J. W. Hatch Treas. Convention -	268.55	
Feb. 11. Received of Eastern Va. Conference - - - - -	200.00	
Nov. 21. Received of J. W. Hatch Treas. N. C. and Va. Con. -	303.00	
1891.		$771.55
Feb. 16. Paid J. G. Bishop Treas. F. M. B. - - - - - -	325.00	
1892.		
Jan. 20. Paid J. G. Bishop - - - - - - - - - -	350.00	
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Respectfully submitted,

A. MORING, Treas.

The President appointed Col. A. Savage, Capt. T. R.

Gaskins, and Rev. H. H. Butler a committee on Finance.

On motion adjourned to meet Monday at 9 A. M. Prayer by Rev. J. L. Foster; Doxology: "Praise God from whom all blessings flow." Benediction by Rev. Dr. McWhinney.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Monday, May 23, 1892.

The Convention met according to adjournment and after the singing of Hymn 903, "Is my name written there" and prayer by Rev. M. W. Butler, was called to order by the President.

The roll of members was called, and the Minutes were read and approved.

On motion Revs. M. W. Butler and J. L. Foster were appointed to furnish condensed reports of the Convention's proceedings to the Richmond (Va.) Dispatch and the (N. C.) State Chronicle respectively with a request to publish the same.

Rev. W. W. Staley of the Christian Hymnary Committee submitted the following.

REPORT OF W. W. STALEY AS A MEMBER OF THE HYMNARY COMMITTEE.

The first meeting of the committee was held in Marion, Indiana, in October 1890, and, subsequent to that time, the work was carried on by correspondence till the final meeting of seven days at Standfordville, New York.

Although instructed by you to ask for an edition in words only, the committee thought best to publish the book in one form only. If anything further in this matter is required, it will require future action. The book is the best that our time could produce and seems to be received with great favor.

I have had delivered to Rev. W. G. Clements, Agent, Raleigh, N. C., by the first order one thousand copies as follows:

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February 13,	875 copies,	style No 1		$515.4625
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making a total of 1,100 copies at a total cash of $730.90 which is according to the original contract price. This cost does not include freight. All has been paid from Convention funds through Rev. W. G. Clements and then through me by Drafts on New York.

At the suggestion of Rev. Dr. Barrett I had—Christian Board of Publication, Raleigh N. C., stamped on title page.

The Hymnary is sold at the lowest possible figures, and deserves a large sale and general use. The work itself has been a gratuitous one on the part of the committee, but it deserves all that we have done.

My intercourse with the members of committee from the North was fraternally pleasant, and our work was made easy by the fellowship of kindred minds. If what has been done by us shall in any sense aid devout worshipers in praising God, then we will be glad and rejoice. If the Convention desires more specific information I am prepared to furnish it either in writing or spoken words.

May 21st, 1892. W. W. STALEY.

The report was discussed by Revs. W. W. Staley, W. S. Long, D. D., W. G. Clements, C. C. Peel, T. M. McWhinney, D. D., C. J. Jones, D. D., E. T. Isley, J. W. Wellons, J. W. Holt, and on motion was adopted.

On motion, Rev. J. O. Atkinson, Prof. S. A. Holleman with ministerial students present were invited to seats as deliberative members.

The Committee on the President's Address reported as follows:

REPORT.

We your special committee to whom was referred the address of the President as a whole, suggest that the separate subjects to which attention has therein been called be referred directly to the several committees having special charge of those interests; as for us to attempt to make recommendations might conflict with those of the Committees who have had the subjects under consideration for two years.

J. W. WELLONS.
M. L. HURLEY.
A. SAVAGE.
Committee.

On motion the report was adopted.

The Committee on Education reported, and after being discussed by Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., Rev. T. M. McWhinney, D. D., Rev. J. U. Newman Ph. D., Rev. P. H. Fleming, Rev. H. H. Butler, it was on motion recommitted.

Bros. E. T. Pierce and J. W. Foster handed in certificates of election and their names were enrolled as members.

On motion Rev. A. F. Isley and J. W. Fonville were invited to seats as deliberative members.

On motion adjourned till 2 o'clock P. M. Prayer by Rev. P. H. Fleming.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention met with the President in the chair.

The Committee on Revision submitted its report on the proposed amendments which was discussed by Revs. J. W. Holt, J. W. Wellons, P. H. Fleming, E. T. Isley, W. W. Staley, E. E. Holland, Esq.

AMENDMENT PROPOSED TO SEC. III CHAPTER 5—PRINCIPLES OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

Churches that have adopted a covenant not inconsistent with the Cardinal Principles of the Christian Church shall ask candidates for membership questions involving the principles set forth in such covenant, and receive or reject such candidates according as they may give answers to such questions.

Your special Committee on Revision beg to report that they deem it inexpedient to adopt the proposed amendment to Sec. III. chap. 1, of the Principles of the Christian Church.

Respectfully submitted,
J. W. WELLONS.
E. E. HOLLAND.
Committee.

The report was adopted.

On motion Drs. G. W. Long and G. S. Watson were invited to seats as deliberative members.

The committee on Education resubmitted its report which was on motion adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF EDUCATION.

At no other period in the history of the Christian church, South, have we had such cause for rejoicing over our educational interests, as at present. Elon College has been established, and has just completed its second year's work. The measure of success already attained is encouraging; and the prospects for the future are bright. If our people in the ministry and among the laymen will continue the interest that they have already shown, there is no reason why Elon College shall not soon rank among the best institutions in the South. With respect to the moral and religious status of the college we wish to state, that the original idea that it should be entirely, essentially, and emphatically a Christian Institution has been faithfully preserved, the charter makes it such and by that instrument none but Christian men can ever control it. Of the present student body ninety-five per. ct. are members of the church. The college seeks to educate the moral and spiritual natures as well as the intellectual and thus develop the whole man or woman.

During this year and last, about 150 students have matriculated in regular College and Academic work, there having been 120 in these departments present this year. A strong effort should be made to secure a regular attendance of at least 150 for the coming year. Of the number present this session, 14 are ministerial students. Some of these are paying their own way, while others are assisted by the various conferences. The work that these young men are doing, and the preparation for God's highest work that they are receiving, should be an incentive to the conferences to do more to help send other worthy young men here. We urge that this matter receive special attention from the conferences. If it be possible, it would also be well to adopt some plan for

raising a loan fund for other worthy young men who want to pursue college work in preparation for other lines of labor. There are numbers of such young men in our church, who are unable to pay their own way, and who, with a little help, might become shinning lights in the Christian church.

Recognizing the importance of education, especially in the ministry, and knowing that a poorly prepared minister means a poor church; and that a strongly educated minister means, a strong, progressive church, we recommend to this convention that article 4, Section 3, of the Government of the Christian Church be changed to read as follows:

4. And that there may be no doubt of his qualification, he shall be carefully examined.

(1.) Upon his religious experience, and also in reference to his call to the ministry.

(2.) Upon his knowledge of the principles and government of the Christian Church.

(3.) Upon his knowledge of the Scriptures, and of the leading doctrines of Christianity.

(4.) Upon the English branches of learning, to include Arithmetic, Geography, English Grammar, History of the United States, Physiology and Elements of Rhetoric.

We further recomment that Article 3, Section 5 of the Government be changed to read as follows:

3. He shall also be carefully examined by the Educational committee of his conference upon the following three year's course of study—the examinations to be held at each successive conference until the course is satisfactorily completed:

FIRST YEAR.

(1.) Homiletics
(2.) General History
(3.) English and American Literature.
(4.) Church History.
(5.) Theology-Revealed.

SECOND YEAR.

(1.) History of the Christian Church and of other leading denominations.
(2.) Physics
(3) Biblical Literature
(4.) Mental Science
(5.) Theology-Pastoral.

THIRD YEAR.

(1.) Higher Rhetoric
(2.) History of the Protestant Reformation
(3.) Astronomy
(4.) Moral Science
(5.) Geology,
(6) Theology-Natural.

Those who have certificates of having passed satisfactory examination on the literary studies of this course or have a diploma from a college of recognized standing will be required to stand examinations only on the theological studies of this course.

If the candidate can stand these examinations satisfactorily in less than three years, he will be permitted to do so.

As we now have a college of our own, we recommend that in all cases possible, the candidate be urged to take a thorough course of study at Elon College.

We wish also to recommend the Christian Correspondence College of which Dr. M. Summerbell is President to the favorable consideration of our ministers, and the Christian Biblical Institute at Standfordville, N. Y., to our young men who are preparing to enter the ministry.

W. S. LONG,
M. L. HURLEY,
E. L. MOFFITT,
Committee.

The report of the Children's Missionary Secretary was read and referred to the committee on Finance.

a hearty support in his efforts to make the SUN better, and to increase its circulation.

We call attention to the Five Cardinal Principles of the Christian Church—a book compiled by Rev. M. L. Hurley—which book Bro. Hurley offers to the Convention for republication.

The Christian Hymnary is in our possession, and we heartily recommend its universal adoption by our people.

We recommehd the use of our own Sabbath School Literature, and other publications coming from our own publishing house.

P. H. FLEMING
W. T. HERNCON.
M. W. BUTLER.
Committee.

The report was adoped.

The Elon College Monthly was presented by Prof. E. L. Moffitt.

A communication from the Trustees of Norfolk Memorial Church was read.

The paper was discussed by Col. A. Savage, Rev. T. M. McWhinney, D. D., Pending the disscussion the paper was made a special order for 11 A.M. tomorrow.

The report of the Committee on Revision was read. The question on the adoption of the report pending, the Convention adjourned to 9 p. m. Prayer by Rev. H. H. Butler.

THIRD DAY.—MORNING SESSION.

Tuesday, May 24, 1892.

The Convention met, and after singing, and prayer led by Rev. J. W. Wellons, was called to order by the President. The roll was called. The minutes were read and approved. Bro. J. A. Mills, delegate of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference handed in certificate of election and his name was enrolled.

The report of the Committee on Revision, pending,was again read, discussed by E. E. Holland, Esq., Rev. M. L. Hurley, Rev. T. M. WcWhinney, D. D. The report was recommitted.

Rev. W. G. Clements, Publishing Agent, submitted his report, which was referred to the committee on Finance.

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF CHILDREN'S MISSION TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH IN SESSION AT ELON COLLEGE.

Amount received from Mrs. J. P. Barrett former secretary -	$ .65
Amount received since - - - - - - - - - -	4.50
Total amount on hand - - - - - - - - - -	$5.15

Respectfully,
MRS. J. L. FOSTER, Sec. of Children's Mission.

May 23, 1892.

The Form of church letter submitted by Rev. J. L. Foster on motion was referred to the following special committee: P. J. Kernodle, J. L. Foster and E. T. Pierce.

The following names, on motion, were recommended to the Board of Trustees of Elon College from which to choose the requisite number of trustees to fill the places of those whose term expired 1892: E. T. Pierce, W. J. Lee, P. J. Kernodle, J. F. West, E. E. Holland, J. P. Barrett, J. L. Foster, J. A. Mills, T. R. Gaskins, J. W. Carlton, P. H. Lee, Dr. G. W. Long.

On motion the Convention adjourned to meet tonight at 8 P. M.

NIGHT SESSION.

The Convention met and was called to order by the President. Prayer by Rev. E. T. Isley.

The report of the Committee on Publication was read, and after being discussed by Rev. P. H. Fleming, Rev. J. W. Wellons, Rev. W. S. Long, D. D. Rev. T. M. McWhinney, D. D., Rev. H. H. Butler, E. E. Holland, Esq., Prof. J. O. Atkinson, Rev. W. G. Clements, Rev. J. L. Foster.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION.

We find that a new edition of the Principles and Government of the Christian Church is needed, and we therefore recommend the publishing of the same.

We recommend the CHRISTIAN SUN and Herald of Gospel Liberty as worthy of a place in every home, and would urge our people to give them a better support.

We endorse the CHRISTIAN SUN under its present management; and recommend the continuance of Rev. W. G. Clements as editor; but would earnestly urge that he devote his entire time to the same, and that the church give him

W. G. CLEMENTS, PUB. AGT. IN ACCOUNT WITH G. C. C. C.

From Dec. 15, 1891 to May 18, 1892 To cash from A Moring, Treas.		$730.90
Sale of Books		341.78
By cash, to W. W. Staley	$730.90	
To A. Moring Treas.	120.00	
To Incidental	29.46	
Balance	192.32	
	$1072.68	1072.68

The report of the Board on Foreign Missions was read. Pending the motion to adopt, the special order for the hour was taken up.

The paper from the Trustees of Norfolk Memorial Church was reread, and further discussed by Rev. C. J. Jones, D. D., Rev. W. G. Clements, Rev. W. T. Herndon, Rev. T. M. McWhinney, D. D., Rev. H. H. Butler, Rev. J. W. Wellons.

Whereas the American Christian Convention in the city of Marion, Indiana, did by unanimous resolution authorize and recommend the erection of a Christian church edifice in the city of Norfolk, Va., To commemorate the reunion of the Christians North and South after a separation of thirty-four years, and also that this monumental church building be the result of the united contributions of the brotherhood and be known as the Union Memorial Christian church of Norfolk, Va., and whereas the, southern members of the incorperate board of trustees assume for the Christian churches of the South the sum of $10,000. And whereas the Southern General Christian Convention of the South have in most enthuiastic terms endorsed, and promised most hearty co-operation in the erection of the Union Memorial Christian church building—Therefore

RESOLVED, That this convention perpetuate the record of its co-operation in a work of such magnitude and importance by proposing to the Executive committee of the American Christian Convention, that this convention will unite with that body in the purchase of the large central window of Cathedral glass at an expense of $500.00 and that the name of the Southern General Christian Convention, and The American Christian Convention be engraved on the window as a perpetual memorial of our united effort in the erection of the Union Memorial Christian church in the city of Norfolk, Va.

RESOLVED, 2, That this Convention endorse the action of the local board of trustees in authorizing C. J. Jones as financial agent to visit Conferences and churches North and South and secure funds for this purpose in harmony with the best approved plans.

TRUSTEES of the Union Memorial Christian church of Norfolk, Va.

The paper was unanimously adopted.

The report of the Board on Foreign Missions was taken up, and discussed by Rev. T. M. McWhinney, D. D.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We your Foreign Missions Board beg leave to report that the receipts from all sources are, since our last convention,

1890.		
By cash	$412.82	
1891.		
By cash	403.92	
		$816.74

And we have made the following disbursments:

Feb. 16, 1891. To J. G. Bishop cash, for D. F. Jones	$325.00	
Jan. 20, 1892 " " "	350.00	
		675.00
Balance in hand		$141.74

April 18, 1892, your board met in the city of Raleigh, N. C., and endorsed the appointment of Rev. A. D. Woodworth, wife and Miss Tena Penrod, made by the board of the American Christian Convention, to the Japan mission. You now have what your board has done the past two years.

And as to the prospect in our Japan mission for the future, we beg leave to say, that while Japan has undergone, for the past two years, some severe trials, viz., from political excitement, epidemics, and in Tokio especially disaster by fire, etc., yet a reasonable comparative progress has been made by our missionaries in their work. The membership in the Japan Christian church has been increased by about 50 additions since our last General Convention, making a total membership of about 150. Our missionaries have organized 5 churches since we opened the work in Japan, and also have about 25 preaching places or stations. H. J. Rhodes has tendered his resignation in consequence of the failure of his health, and will soon return to his home in America, but we rejoice that our Heavenly Father has in his infinite goodness, in answer to our united prayers, given us three more of his servants for our Japan mission, whom we believe not only to be intelligent and intellectually qualified, but also consecrated to his service. Further we are glad to note that we have a dozen or more of our people, brethren and sisters, who are preparing for the Foreign Mission work. And another thing that brightens our prospect for the future in Japan is, we are informed by brother D. F. Jones, our missionary, that the government and doctrines of the Christian Church are peculiarly suited to the wants of that people, hence this should stimulate us to put forth a greater effort and make heavier sacrifices for our blessed Master's cause in that sun rise land.

And, now as to our responsibility for the work in Japan, we wish to say that it is now greater than ever, (1) Because we now realize more fully than ever, that the great commission given by our Lord and Master, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," is as much to the Christian Church as to any other denomination. (2.) Because we have the work already established and hence we cannot afford to desert it. (3.) Because the number of our missionaries have increased, and both work and missionaries have increased, and both work and missionaries will still increase. And now your board would call attention to this important fact, i. e., that the future success of our work in Japan depends first upon our earnest and united prayers, and second upon our liberality in supporting our missionaries. The withholding of our offerings will embarrass our missionaries and hinder the work. And now for the support and success of our Japan mission; Be it resolved that this Convention require the Conferences belonging thereto, to raise for the said F. M. work not less than $700.00 annually as per. ratio, viz.

N. C. & Va. Conference	$350.00
Eastern Va. Conference	250.00
Ga. & Ala. Conference	30.00

Deep River Conference - - - - - - - - - - - -	40.00
Valley Va. Conference - - - - - - - - - - - -	30.00

This assessment will amout to less than 5 cents per member.

Respectfully submitted,

P. T. KLAPP.
A. MORING.
W. G. CLEMENTS.

The report was adopted.

The Convention, on motion, adjourned with prayer by Rev. C. J. Jones, D. D., till 2 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention met and was called to order by the President, singing, and prayer by Rev C. C. Peel.

Rev. P. H. Fleming offered the following resolutions which were unanimously adopted:

Your committee on Form of Church Report from churches to Conferences report the following:

Your committee to whom was referred the Form of Church letter submitted by Rev. J. L. Foster, would recommend that it be arranged so that tabulation by departments would be admissible, that is, Sunday school statistics, Educational statistics, mission statistics and any other statistical tables be arranged by the respective committees in charge, for convenience of publication.

P. J. KERNODLE.
J. L. FOSTER.
E. T. PIERCE.

The Committee on Revision resubmitted its report. It was discussed by E. E. Holland, Esq., Rev. J. W. Holt, E. T. Isley. The report was considered by items and adopted as a whole as follows:

PART I.

Your committee on Revision have carefully examined that part of the report on Education, which was submitted to us and heartily recommend its adoption.

J. W. WELLONS.
W. C. CLEMENTS.
E. E. HOLLAND.

[This report was read in connection with the report on Education.—Secretary.]

PART II.

But reference to the suggestion made by the President of this Convention as to change in the number of delegates elected by the several churches to attend their respective Conferences your committee on Revision would recommend that authority be given to each of the conferences to determine how many delegates shall be elected from each church to said Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. WELLONS.
W. G. CLEMENTS.
E. E. HOLLAND.

1892

PART III.

Your Committee on Revision report—That as a substitute, for the plan for the better organization of our church work adopted at the last meeting of the Convention, and amended by the several Conferences we would recommend the following:

1st. That authority be given by this Convention for the organization of what shall be known as "The Christian Missionary Association," to be composed of delegates from Christian Conferences, Churches Sunday schools, Missionary societies or individual members within the Christian Church on a basis of one delegate for every ten dollars actually paid into the treasury of the said Association until otherwise provided by its rules and regulations.

2nd. Upon its organization the said Association shall have the right to adopt rules and regulations, prescribing the times for and places of meetings, the basis of life and annual memberships: the admission of male and female members: and such other rules and regulations as may be deemed necessary for the proper government of said Association.

3rd. The said Association shall also have the right and authority to organize within the bounds of the several Conferences composing this Convention, Christian Missionary societies which shall be auxiliary to and subject to the supervision of this "Christian Missionary Association."

4th. The purposes of the Christian Missionary Association shall be to develop the strength and activity of the Conferences in the enterprise of "Missions," and to combine their means and energies for the spread of the gospel among men through the agency of "Missions."

5th. Upon its organization the said Association shall elect a President, Vice-President, secretary and treasurer, with the right and authority to elect and appoint such other officers and such committees as may be provided for in its rules and regulations. The duties of these officers and committees shall be fully defined by the body itself.

6th. The said Christian Missionary Association, when organized, shall be auxiliary to and its work subject to the supervision of the General Convention of the Christian church at its regular or special meetings.

7th. Any seven persons entitled to be delegates as herein provided shall have the right to meet at any place and time and organize the said "Christian Missionary Aassociation under and by virture of the authority given hereby.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. WELLONS.
W. G. CLEMENTS.
E. E. HOLLAND.

Rev. J. W. Holt submitted form for church letter, which was referred to the secretary, the same to be incoporated in the Form of Government.

The Report of the committee on Finance was read, discussed by Col. A. Savage, P. J. Kernodle, Rev. W. W. Staley, Rev. W. G. Clements, and on motion adopted.

Your committee to whom was referred the treasurer's report, would report that they have examined the same with the vouchers accompanying it and find it correct and vouchers satisfactory. We also make report of Secretary of Children's Mission showing amount of $5.15 as being on hand, subject to order of this convention. The Publishing agent's report we find correct and vouchers for same, save few items of expense, indicated as postage.

Respectfully submitted,

A SAVAGE.
T. R. GASKINS.
H. H. BUTLER.

On motion it was agreed to allow the Publishing agent 10% on the sale of publications.

Rev. W. G. Clements was elected Publishing agent for the next regular term of two years.

Mrs. J. L. Foster was elected Children's Missionary Secretary for the term of two years.

Rev. P. H. Fleming offered the following resolution which was adopted:

RESOLVED, That the thanks of this Convention are due and hereby tendered to the people of Elon College for their hospitable intertainment, and to the various railroads which have given us reduced rates.

P. H. FLEMING.

E. E. Holland, Esq., offered the following resolution which was adopted:

RESOLVED, That we approve the action of the American Christian Convention, or Executive Board of the same, in the election of Rev. C. J. Jones as General Evangelist of the church, and that the Convention elect him and seek to prepare the way for him to extend his labors through the Southern States in the organization of the evangelistic department of the church.

On motion it was ordered to publish the "Principles and Form of Government of the Christian Church," revised text, and the same was referred to the Committee on Publications.

On motion, the choosing of a place of meeting for the next regular session of the General Convention, was referred to the Executive Committee.

The President announced the standing committees:

COMMITTEES.

Schools and Colleges—W. S. Long, W. L. Hurley, and E. L. Moffitt.
Publications: J. P. Barrett, M. W. Butler, A. Savage.
Home Missions—J. W. Wellons, J. L. Foster, and P. H. Fleming.
Foreign Missions: P. T. Klapp, J. W. Holt, C. C. Peel.
Executive Committee—W. W. Staley P. J. Kernodle, E. E. Holland.

On motion, it was ordered to publish the proceedings in the Christian Annual.

On motion, it was ordered that ten (10) dollars be paid Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., loss sustained in publishing the proceeding of the last session of the General Convention, 1890.

The Norfolk Mission was presented by Rev. W. T. Herndon and $350 more pledged.

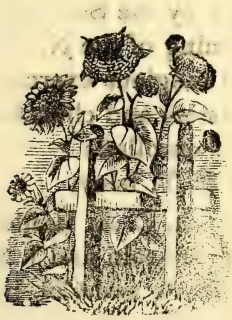
On motion it was ordered that the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference raise $100, the Eastern Virginia Conference $100, the Deep River Conference $20, the Georgia and Alabama Conference $10, and the Valley Virginia Conference $20, total $250, for the placing of a memorial window in the Norfolk memorial church.

Revs. W. W. Staley, H. H. Butler, M. W. Butler, were on motion appointed a committee on memoirs.

The proceedings were read and approved.

The Convention adjourned to meet on Friday before the First Sunday in May 1894.

P. J. KERNODLE, Secretary, W. W. STALEY, President.
E. L. MOFFITT, J. W. WELLONS,
Assistant Secretary, Vice-President.



PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

VIRGINIA VALLEY CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE.

IN ITS

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION.

ANTIOCH, Rockingham Co, Va.
September 1, 1892.

The Virginia Valley Christian Conference met here today in its 23rd annual session.

The President of last session being absent, the body was called to order by the Secretary.

Rev. P. H. Fleming of the N. C. & Va. Christian Conference conducted religious exercises.

The roll of ministers and churches was called and the following members enrolled:

Ministers: Rev E. T. Isley.

Churches: Antioch, C. A. Henton.

Bethlehem, J. J. Lincoln and J. S. Martz.

Linville, B. F. Black and Col. E. Sipe.

Concord, No delegates present.

Rev. E. T. Isley was elected President and Bro. C. A. Henton was chosen Assistant Secretary.

On motion, Rev. P. H. Fleming was invited to a seat as a deliberative member in this body.

Business of Conference was suspended for the delivery of the Annual Address by Rev. P. H. Fleming.

The President resumed his seat.

A motion to adjourn for dinner prevailed.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President, Prayer by Bro. J. J. Lincoln.

On motion, Bro. C. H. Swank, a delegate from Antioch, and J. A. Silvius and J. M. Huffman from Concord were enrolled.

Vacancies in Standing Committees were filled by the President as follows:

Home Missions, B. F. Black.

Temperance, J. M. Huffman.

On motion of Bro. J. J. Lincoln, the following schedule for meeting and adjournment was adopted: Meet at 9:30 A. M. and adjourn at 11.30 A. M. Meet at 2 P. M. and adjourn at 4 P. M.

On motion, the Pastor and delegates of Antioch church were constituted a Committee on Religious Exercises.

On motion, Conference went into the election of some one to deliver the Annual Address before this body at its next session. Rev. E. T. Isley was chosen with the privilege of asking Rev. W. W. Staley to act as alternate.

On motion Conference went into the selection of a place to hold its next annual session. Bethlehem and Concord were named and the vote taken, which resulted in a e. By the decision of the Chair Bethlehem was chosen.

On motion the Chair was requested to appoint a Committee on Entertainment, Bros. C. A. Henton. B. F. Zikle, and T. H. Showalter were appointed.

The following were elected Fraternal Messengers to sister Conferences: To the N. C. & Va. Conference, Rev. E. T. Isley; to the E. Va. Conference, Bros. D. P. Rosenberger and J. J. Lincoln.

The deed of Muddy Creek church property was read. Bros. J. J. Lincoln, E. Sipe, and C. A. Henton were appointed a committee to examine said deed and report to this body later.

Report of the Committee on Religious Literature was read and discussed by Rev. P. H. Fleming and J. J. Lincoln,

Pending the adoption of the report, Conference adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

SECOND DAY.

September 2, 1892.

Conference called to order by the President. Scriptural lesson read by the President and prayer by the Secretary.

After the calling of the roll, the minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

On motion, Rev. Dr. Herndon of the N. C. & Va. Conference was invited to a seat as a deliberative member. Dr. Herndon responded with some very appropriate remarks.

The report on Religious Literature was again taken up and discussed by Rev. E. T. Isley and Dr. Herndon. The adoption of the report wes deferred until some future time and a Committee was appointed to canvass the congregation for subscriptions to the CHRISTIAN SUN.

Ministerial reports were called for. Rev. E. T. Isley offered his report.

ANNUAL REPORT.

To the Virginia Valley Christian Conference of the Pastorial Labors of Rev. E. T. Isley for the year beginning Dec. 12, 1891, and ending Sept. 1, 1892:
Names of Churches in charge: Antioch, Linville, Bethlehem and Concord.
No. of sermons preached, 122.
No. of Conversions in pastoral Charge 40.
No. of Pastoral visits—unknown.
No. of Funeral services performed, 3.
Amount of salary received, $300.00.

E. T. ISLEY.

Col. E. Sipe stated that he had received a report from Rev. D. A. Barney, but had lost the report. Bro. Sipe stated verbally the general contents of the report. The Secretary was instructed to correspond with Rev. D. T. Deans, a member of this Conference to know the cause of his failure to report to this body.

The following was received by the Secretary after the adjournment of Conference, and inserted here:

BANDA, N. C., Aug. 25, 1892.

TO THE SECRETARY OF THE V. V. C. C:—Greeting, I herewith forward you my Annual Ministerial Report, my voice is only partially returned, I have no pastorial work, have preached once a mouth at our academy during the past year, I am eighty miles from any of our churches or members, yet I cherish the principles of our beloved church in my old age as in manhood's prime, and trust you will have a large measure of the Spirit to direct your deliberations.

Yours in Gospel,

D. T. DEANS.

The Secretary was also instructed to correspond with Rev. D. A. Barney and tender an expression of thanks to him for his kind feeling toward us.

A motion to have the church letters read prevailed.

Letters from all the churches in the Conference were read and adopted.

Conference adjourned for preaching and dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President. Prayer by Dr. Herndon.

On motion, all persons present who are members of Standing Committees and not members of Conference were invited to seats as deliberative members.

The report on Home Missions was read and after dis-

cussion by Bro. C. H. Swank and Dr. Herndon, it was adopted as follows:

Your Committee on Home Missions wish to submit the following limited report: The total amout of funds collected during the past year for Home Missions, we find is $34.75, paid by the respective churches as follows:

Antioch, $15; Bethlehem, $11.19; Linville $8.54. We realize the necessity of the different congregations to raise a corresponding amount of Home Missions funds for the ensuing year, We believe that the greater portion of this fund should be applied in extending the borders of the Christian church and its principles into the many inviting fields of the Valley, which are ready and waiting for us to occupy.

We as a people must soon enter the towns and establish ourselves in them, or we will never be able to exert an influence, and spread our principles as we should.

D. P. ROSENBERGER,
B. F. BLACK,
J. A. SILVIUS.

On motion, Conference agreed to have the minutes of the present session printed in the Christian Annual. The delegates, except those from Linville, agreed to make themselves responsible for the payment of $10.00 for said printing and that this Conference receive 100 copies of the Annual for distribution among the churches.

On motion the Secretary was ordered to correspond with Rev. P. H. Fleming and ask him to furnish a copy of the opening address, delivered yesterday, for publication in the CHRISTIAN SUN.

On motion of C. A. Henton, Conference was resolved into a committee of the whole to consider the election of a pastor for the four churches of this Conference for the ensuing year.

The President, Rev. E. T. Isley, called Dr. Herdnon to the Chair and withdrew from the house.

A motion was made that Rev. E. T. Isley be employed as pastor for the four churches of this Conference at a salary of $450.00 to be raised in the Conference as follows: Each member of the various churches to pay one dollar and the residue of $450.00 be made up by an assessment on pro rata of the tax tickets of the property holding members.

The President returned and took the Chair.

Conference adjourned until tomorrow morning. Prayer by Bro. J. A. Silvius.

THIRD DAY.

September 3, 1892.

Conference called to order by the President. Devotional exercises conducted by J. S. Martz. The roll was called and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings read, corrected and approved.

The committee on Temperance offered the following report which was adopted after an interesting discussion by Col. E. Sipe, C. H. Swank, J. J. Lincoln, J. S. Martz and Dr. Herndon.

Inasmuch as the minutes of our last annual session has never been published, the Secretary was ordered to have the Temperance report adopted at said session, published in connection with this:

TEMPERANCE REPORT.

Your committee beg leave to submit the following: Reaffirming all that was said in this body's adopted report of last year and making it a part of this report, we have only to add that the imperative demand of the day and year universally upon every church member convinced of the Holiness of the Cause and upon all citizens convinced of the public necessity for a triumph of the cause of temperance, is for all good citizens in and out of the churches to get to work, concentrating their powers and rights in behalf of its complete triumph over the wretched and disgraceful aggressiveness of the liquor tarffic and its supporters in the affairs of this Nation.

E. SIPE,
C. H. SWANK,
JAS. M. HUFFMAN.

TEMPERANCE REPORT, ADOPTED SEPT. 5, 1891.

Your Committee, after much thought on what is now universally being called the "Temperance question," i. e., the liquor traffic in all its phases, as

it affects good government, the inalienable rights of citizenship as nominally accorded to citizens everywhere, and especially to the American people (the citizens of the yet young but model republic of the world) realize and confess our inability to present this question as it ought to be to your deliberation and decisive action. We deem it useless to indulge in any further denunciation of the traffic, for we can say nothing new in that direction, for it stands condemned by the word of God—"Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink, that puteth thy bottle to him and makest him drunk." Also, "Wine is a mocker and strong drink is raging."

Hundreds of thousands of parents sorrowing brothers and sisters and friends, great armies of ruined suffering drunkards and millions of minor children all entitled to deliverance from this universally conceded to be curse of curses.

Therefore let us, the least of conferences by which we are surrounded, wash our hands from all complicity in sustaining that which is the devil's best friend and God's worst enemy. Stop and right now declare that it is morally incumbent upon all professed Christians, to neither make, buy, sell, convey, nor use as a beverage, nor give any intoxicating liquors. Therefore to be consistent, we can not and will not support any candidate for promotion to office in the civil, ecclesiastical, judicial, executive, nor legislative departments and organizations of our country, who is not outspoken and honestly the enemy of the liquor traffic, nor men and parties that combine in any way to sustain it. And more than this we consider it an offense to the church and a reproach to religion for any church member to give his vote in support of any political party or other organization which puts in its platform of principles a liquor plank or fails to put in a prohibition plank.

Again it is the sense of this body that no minister of the Gospel or lay member of any church need be afraid of soiling their robes or garments by talking praying, or voting for the prohibition of the liquor business, provided he does these things consistently and in the fear of God.

Believing as we do, that our children's future civil and religious liberties are involved in and menaced by the organized liquor traffic, we have no neutrality. To vote, etc., for liquors, etc., is conceded to be a sin of commission, and to fail to vote, etc., against liquor, etc., is no less a sin of omission.

Ye ask and receive not because ye ask amiss.

Concerning the business, the children of this world are wiser in their day and generation than the children of light, for they defend the traffic with their money and votes.

We do not intend contenting ourselves in adopting the excuses the liquorites fabricate for us.

When thou seest a thief and consentest with him thou art partaken of his sin.

When we view the fact that in the thirty years that the National government has been a partner to it by license and taxation of the traffic, it has in distilled spirits multiplied per capita five times, and in beer fourteen times, ought not every man, both saint and sinner, by common consent determine to organize and come together at the ballot box, and put this evil and dangerous thing, as a thing unworthy of a place in this God blessed, but liquor, cursed land of ours: which the God of heaven has given us for a better purpose. Do this and the rising generation will rise up and call you blessed.

E. SIPE,
C. H. SWANK.
J. D. HILLARD.
Com.

The Committee on Education offered their report. Some remarks were made by Bro. J. J. Lincoln,

The hour for preaching having arrived, Conference adjourned until 2 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference convened with the President in the chair. Prayer by the Secretary.

The discussion of the report on Education continued by Bro. J. J. Lincoln, Revs. E. T. Isley and Dr. Henton.

The report was adopted as follows.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The idea predominating now is that the young must be educated if they would attain to that high standard of usefulness in the social, political and Christian world. No department of business is a success unless guided by some intelligent hand and no organized body of Christian people can hope for success unless it is aided by the enlightening and refining influence of a liberal education. It is still a sad fact that there are some who do not realize this and allow their children to grow up in ignorance. In this land of ours the watchword is "Onward" and though the youngest known Republic yet the greatest in wealth, in power, in influence and in education. We have evidence on every hand showing the value of education and our needs as a church are overwhelming and force upon us the conviction that we must educate our young people if we hope for an abundance of wealth in the future. In theology a new era has commenced and the young men desiring to enter the ministry must measure up to this scale of intellectual development. Shall he who proclaims the doctrine of revealed religion which is a "Savior of life unto life" be himself the blind leader of the blind? Shall he proclaim the doctrines of salvation who knows not and cares not whether he preaches an idle gloss or the genuine text of revelation? If a theologian may not pass his life in collecting the various readings he may and ought to aspire to that criticism which illustrates religion by all the resorces of human learning: which studies manners and institutions of the age and country in which Christianity was first promulgated; which kindles an enthusiasm for its precepts by familiarity with the persuasive language of Him who poured out blessing on the mount, and of Him at whose impressive appeal Felix trembled.

(1.) We hail with delight the success that has already crowned the efforts of our people at Elon College and recommend this institution to the confidence and patronage of everybody. It involves the future of our cause beyond our present conception and should be made the object of our daily prayers.

(2.) We recommend Bro. J. S. Kagey to the confidence of this body as being a young man of high Christian character and that he has, by the authority of the committee been instructed to use his gift before the people in exhortations, and otherwise to use his best efforts to advance himself educationally for one year, at the expiration of which we hope to ask the Conference to grant him license to preach the gospel of our Lord and Savior.

(3.) That we find Bro. C. H. Swank qualified to enter the Biblical Class with a view of being licensed some time in the future.

(4.) That Bro. B. F. Black be recommended to the Faculty of Elon College as a ministerial student and that he be allowed to enter the Biblical Class looking to the accomplishment of his call in this life.

(5). That the ministers of this Conference be requested to urge the people to avail themselves of every opportunity to educate their children.

(6.) That the churches be requested to raise for education of young ministers the following amounts:

Antioch, $8; Bethlehem, $8; Linville, $2.50; Concord, $1.50.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. LINCOLN.
C. A. HENTON.

The following report of the Special Committee appointed to examine the title of the Muddy Creek property was received and adopted.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTE.

Your Committee to examine the deed for the church lot at Muddy Creek beg leave to submit that in our opinion, the lot is not the property of this Conference. We would therefore recommend that said deed be returned to the trustees of said lot.

Respectfully submitted,

E. SIPE,
J. J. LINCOLN,
C. A. HENTON.

The Executive Committee offered the following report which was adopted:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your committee has had two meeings in the interim of your body's regular sessions, at one it accepted the appilcation of Rev. E. T. Isley for ministerial connection with this conference and elected delegates to the Christian Convention South. At its second meeting it apportioned the amount of pastor's salary for 1891–2 to the 4 churches, upon basis of the numerical and financial strength of each by way of carrying out resolutions of the Va. Valley Conference at last session.

E. SIPE,
C. H. SWANK.

The following report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was read and adopted:

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT.

Your committee on foreign missions is glad to report that this Conference has done more this year for foreign missions than it ever did before.

We are sorry to say that it was not until the last two years that there were any steps taken by Conference to raise funds for this work.

Owing to a failure on the part of two of a committee of three to solicit the individual members of the churches to which they belonged in the Conference year of 1890–91 the amount of money collected was a little less than eight dollars. The greater portion of said amount was contributed by Antioch church.

We have this year succeeded in collecting the following amount: Linville, $3.44; Bethlehem, $5.17; and Antioch $13.73. Total $22.34.

It seems that the people of the Virginia Valley Conference are just beginning to awake from a long, long sleep. Only a faint motion of the body is now perceptible; but we trust that in the near future the hearts of the people will melt in sympathy for those for whom as well as for themselves Christ died who are living in spiritual darkness and dying without the sweet promises of Jesus to comfort them through the dark valley of death, and that they will gladly contribute of their means to send the good news of salvation through Christ to them until it is not only $22.34 but a much larger amount. Then we believe we shall be a happier and much more prosperous people ourselves.

Resolved, That this Conference require its Pastor to make special effort to show each congregation its responsibility respecting said work. That we ask the churches for not less than the following amounts, Antioch $10; Bethlehem $10; Linville $6; and Concord $2.

ADA A. SWANK,
FANNIE SIMMERS,
MOLLIE DEAVERS.

On motion of Bro. J. J. Lincoln, a vote of thanks was tendered the members and friends of Antioch church for their hospitality toward members and visitors during the sitting of Conference.

The Treasurer offered the following report which was adopted:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

September 3, 1892.

By cash in hand last session	$1.06
By note in hand	34.34
By amount received, parsonage fund	5.00
By cash received from Bethlehem	11.19
By cash received from Linville	8.54
By cash received from Antioch	15.00
Total amount in Treasury	$75.13

HARVEY SIMMERS, Treas.

The committee on Sabbath Schools offered their report which, after being discussed by Bros. C. H. Swank, J. S. Martz, and J. J. Lincoln, was adopted as follows:

SABBATH SCHOOL REPORT.

Your committee on Sunday schools offers the following report. We rejoice to know and feel happy to report to this body that the Sunday schools in the Valley Conference, have in the last year been awakened to a greater activity and more earnest effort on the part of its workers to build up and expand than has been shown for years past.

The number of schools in the bound of this conference is three. All are using the Christian Literature which is well suited for our work. So well suited that no other publication, to our mind, would equally serve us for the building up and growth of the Christian church.

(1.) We urge the Concord brethren to organize a Sunday school at the earliest time possible.

(2.) We recommend the Christian Literature as published by the Christian Publishing House at Dayton, Ohio, the most suitable for our Sunday school work and for the upbuilding of the Christian church. Further we urge the schools on to action against every opposition that may arise against the use of our Literature.

(3.) We recommend the Sunday school convention as was organized in this conference one of the best ways for bringing the Sunday schools together on one platform, and hope every one will make an effort to attend the next meeting of this body.

C. H. SWANK.
B. F. ZIKLE.

The President appointed the following Standing Committees:

Education,—J. J. Lincoln, J. S. Martz, and C. A. Henton.

Home Missions,—D. P. Rosenberger, J. S. Kagey and D. J. Sipe.

Foreign Mission,—Misses Ada A. Swank, Fannie Simmers, and Mollie Daevers.

Temperance,—E. Sipe, R. A. Henton, and J. S. Kagey.

Religious Literature,—C. H. Swank, W. H. Sipe and B. F. Black.

Sabbath Schools,—C. H. Swank, J. S. Martz, and J. M. Huffman.

The Executive Committee,—E. Sipe, C. H. Swank, J. D. Hilliard, and J. A. Silvius.

On motion the name of the President was added to the Executive Committee, making it as follows: E. T. Isley, E. Sipe, C. H. Swank, J. D. Hilliard and J. A. Silvius.

On motion the chairman of the Committee on Foreign Missions was ordered to forward to Rev. P. T. Klapp all funds now in the hands of Conference for Foreign Mission work.

On motion the following report of the Committee on Religious Literature, which had been previously read before this body, was adopted:

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We, your Committee, wish to offer our report.

We regard the religious press as one of the best means we have for the spreading of religious influences, and the elevation of the human mind.

Realizing, as we do, the evil and degrading influence of trashy or pernicious literature, and knowing the good and elevatiug influence of purely religious literature, we would most heartily recommend:

1st. That our people study diligently the Word of God, and make it their rule of faith and practice.

2nd. That we support and read the CHRISTIAN SUN and the Herald of Gospel Liberty. We would urge that each family represented in the churches of this Conference, have regularly, in their homes one or both of these papers.

3rd. That we read the various works issued in book and pamphlet form by the Christian Board of Publication at Raleigh, N. C., and the Christian Publishing Association at Dayton, Ohio, and such other religious literature as opportunity may afford.

J. S. KAGEY,
R. A. HENTON.

On motion the Secretary was ordered to furnish for publication in connection with minutes of this session of Conference, a tabulated report of the churches comprising the Conference.

On motion it was agreed that each member of conference pay 50 cents to defray the expenses of the Secretary in his work during the past year.

E. T. ISLEY, President. J. S. KAGEY, Secretary.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches	Pastor	Secretary	No. Members Reported Last Session	No. Received since Last Session	No. Died since Last session	No. Dismissed since Last Session	Present Membership	Amount Paid Pastor	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Other Purposes	Value of Church Property
Antioch	E T Isley	J S Kagey	92	2	5	1	88	103 66	15 00	9 63	30 44	1500 00
Bethlehem	"	J S Martz	93	13	3	8	96	118 23	11 19	5 17	37 35	800 00
Linville	"	E L Depoy	50	4		2	52	57 75	8 54	3 44	60 00	1100 00
Concord	"	J A Silvius	17	10	1		26	13 38			199 60	
Total			252	29	9	11	262	293 02	34 74	18 23	327 39	3300 00

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

GEORGIA AND ALABAMA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE,

IN ITS.

FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION.

NEW HOPE, Chambers Co., Ala.,
September 39, 1891.

11 A. M. Introductory sermon by Rev. J. B. Orr, Refreshments.

1:30 P. M. After religious services Conference was called to order by Rev. J. D. Elder, President of last session.

A quorum being present Conference proceeded to the election of officers as follows: President, Rev. J. D. Elder: Vice-President, Rev. C. M, Dollar; Secretary, Rev, G. D. Hunt; Assistant Secretary, C. W. Swan.

Enrollment of Ministers and Delegates:

Ordained ministers present—J. D. Elder, T. H. Elder, W. R. Knight, C. M. Dollar, G. D. Hunt, J. W. Elder, J.

B. Orr, M. D. Chewning, M. F. Lett, H. W. Elder, J. L. Neese.

Licentiates—C. W. Swan

Delegates: New Hope.—W. W. Cardwell, C. C. Hodges, W. I. Manning, J. W. Manning, J. H. Hughes, J. W. Patterson.

Antioch.—W. J. Payne, Y. T. Dunn, J. L. Elder.

Mt. Zion. W. L. Ward, S. N. Sledge.

Forest Home.—W. T. Pitman, C. B. Philips.

Pleasant Grove.—L. Mooney, John Coggins.

Union Grove.—H. O. Wallace, Jesse Crenshaw.

McGuires Chapel.—A. P. Hunt. G. W. Walker.

Beulah.—E. M. Gay, Walter Pearson, J. H. Hand, E. L. Mann.

Christiana.—G. W. Vines, W. C. Fields.

New Harmony.—J. W. Crain, W. D. Mitchell, W. A. Fetner, Thos. Orr.

Macedonia.—E. H. Elder, J. A. F. Strichlen.

Providence Chapel.—By letter.

Liberty.———

Christiana.———

Bethel.———

Rock Springs.—S. E. Carpenter.

New Churches:

Phœnix City Christian church was admitted as a member of this Conference, Thos. Clack, Delegate; also Corinth was received with W. J. Johnson as Delegate; Union Chapel was received with B. F. Young, Jos. E. B. Williams, Delegates.

Rev. W. G. Clements of the N. C. & Va. Christian Conference was invited to a seat with us as a fraternal messenger who responded with appropriate remarks; also Prof. A. P. Fuquay was invited to a seat with us as a deliberative member of this body.

Report of Committee on order of Business as follows:

1. Calling Roll of Ministers and Churches.
2. Organization.
3. Reception of new churches.
4. Filling vacancies on Standing Committees.
5. Appointment of new committees.
6. Call for report of the several committees.
7. Call for report of ministers.
8. Miscellaneous.
9. Suggestions for the good of Conference.

Respectfully submitted,
S. N. SLEDGE, Chairman Com.

Report adopted.

C. W. Swan, J. W. Manning and Albert Strichlen were appointed to fill vacances of Committee on Sabbath Schools. No other vacancy occured.

RESOLUTION BY H. W. ELDER.

RESOLVED, That we meet at 8:30 A. M; adjourn for preaching at 11 A. M; meet at 1:30 P. M; adjourn at will.

Resolution adopted.

Ministerial reports called for and read.

Report of Executive Committee read as follows:

We have had but one item of business to come before us: the case of Bro. W. D. Davis, whom we granted license to preach.

J. D. ELDER, Chairman.

SECOND DAY.

Conference met 8:30 A. M. With President in the chair, opened with singing, and prayer by Rev. M. D. Chewning.

Minutes read and approved.

Delegates from Mt. Zion and Antioch arrived.and enrolled.

On motion Rev. W. F. Barns of the M. E. Church was invited to a seat with us as a deliberative member.

Church reports called for and read; report of the several committees called for.

STANDING OF MINISTRY.

We your Committee on standing of the Ministry submit the following report: Our Ministers present are in good standing morally and spiritually so far as we can discern. Yet there is not the amount of work done as should be. The calls are many and pressing for Christian Preachers. The harvest truly is great but the laborers are few and it does seem that there is no time for idleness. A few of our ministers in the remote parts of Conference are not present neither is their work represented. Therefore if there be anything wrong with those brethren it is not known to this committee.

H. W. ELDER, Chairman.

Report on Standing of Ministry read. Discussed by Revs. W. R. Knight, and G. D. Hunt. Report adopted. The Executive committee was requested to write to the ministers of the North Ala. immediately after the adjournment of this body to know why they do not report to the Annual Conference.

Report on standing of Churches read, discussed by Revs. W. R. Knight and C. M. Dollar and adopted:

REPORT ON STANDING OF CHURCHES.

We your Committee on standing of Churches submit the following. We find the churches in good condition, as far as we know, spiritually.

H. O. WALLACE, Chairman.

The Delegates were requested to hand in the Home Mission fund to the Treasury.

Adjourned, for Preaching by Rev. W. G. Clements.

Refreshments.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Report on Education was read and discussed by Revs. H. W. Elder, C. M. Dollar, W. G. Clements, J. D. Elder, and Bro. E. M. Gay, after being amended, report was adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

1. We your Committee on Education submit the following report: Brethren we are proud to say that we at last have a plan on foot for the establishment of a High School, within the bounds of our Conference: We therefore request our Brethren to rally to the support of this institution. In order that we may attain to a higher standard of education which we have so long seen and felt the need of in our church.
2. We recommend that the President appoint a special Committee to perfect the arrangements with our teacher elect and report to this body.
3. We recommend Elon College to the hearty support of our people.
4. After carefully examining Bro. J. H. Hughes as required by our government, we recommend him to this body for license to preach he being found worthy of the same.

G. D. HUNT, Chairman.

The President appointed Rev. H. W. Elder J. L. Neese, M. D. Chewning as special committee on High School, to perfect the arrangements with the teacher elect and report to the body.

On motion Conference renewed the credentials of Rev. J. L. Neese—his being lost.

New Harmony was elected as the place for holding the next session of this body to convene on Thursday be-

fore the First Sunday in Oct., 1893. Rev. G. D. Hunt was appointed to deliver the introductory sermon, and, on motion, Rev. W. G. Clements was chosen to preach the annual sermon before this body on Sunday. Convention decided to have its minutes printed in the Annual.

Adjourned until 8:30 A. M., Saturday.

THIRD DAY.

President in the chair Conference opened with singing and prayer by Rev. G. D. Hunt.

Minutes read and approved.

Report of special school committee read, amended and adopted.

Report of committee on Temperance read, and discussed by Revs. J. B. Orr, J. W. Elder, Bros. J. H. Hughes, J. W. Manning. Adopted.

TEMPERANCE.

We your committee on Temperance beg leave to submit the following report: Whereas, we believe that Intemperance is a great Evil and strongly condemned by the Bible, and, whereas, we believe that the use of whisky, and tobacco are the great barriers to the progress of Temperance, and we believe that the only sure remedy against Intemperance is total abstinence, be it resolved, 1st. That we recommend as far as practicable the establishment of temperance societies in each community where we have a church. Resolved, 2nd. That we urge our members and especially our ministers total abstinence in the use of whisky and tobacco.

J. W. ELDER, Chairman.

On motion each speaker was limited to five minutes.

Report of Committee on Relgious Literature was read, discussed by Rev. W. G. Clements, adopted, and canvass taken for the CHRISTIAN SUN.

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We your committee on Religious Literature submit the following: We find that our people are not informed as they need to be, on church literature. we therefore request them to read, 1st. The Bible; 2nd. The CHRISTIAN SUN, 3rd. All other Literature published by our Church. We cheerfully recommend the Herald of Gospel Liberty, Spirit and Life and the American Christian, as being sound, logical and Biblical. Our people by all means ought to read the CHRISTIAN SUN, Our Church organ. We recommend that the Editor Rev. W. G. Clements take subscriptions for the SUN during this session publicly or privately.

We further recommend that our Publishing Houses place in the hands of Rev. J. D. Elder our Agent, books, tracts, S. S. Literature and all matter that would be good for our people; to sell, without any commission, said Agent to return all funds as soon as payed in.

H. W. ELDER, Chairman.

Adjourned, for preaching by Rev. W. G. Clements.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President in the chair. On motion Bro. J. H. Hughes was granted license to preach.

The report of Committee on Home Mission read discussed by Revs. W. G. Clements, G. D. Hunt, C. M. Dollar, J. W. Elder, H. W. Elder, J. B. Orr, Bros. S. N. Sledge, E. M. Gay, and adopted.

HOME MISSION.

We your Committee on Home Mission submit the following: Our Home Missionary has been very successful in his field of labor and his efforts have been unyielding. We find that he has labored and made a sacrifice for the cause of our Conference. Our churches were to raise $150.00 this year for Home Mission purposes, and nearly all the churches have failed in part on account of the late season. Therefore we recommend that our Churches be given until the District Meeting which meets the 5th Sunday in October to try and raise the deficiency at which time some dispostion shall be made of said fund, however, it might be wise to decide how we will dispose of the money now. We suggest that some one be continued as a Missionary in our Conference.

G. D. HUNT, Chairman.

Rev. J. D. Elder was continued in the Home Mission work with the privilege of taking charge of two churches. The Conference is requested to raise for Home Misssions next year $175.00.

Report of Committee on Foreign Missions read and collection taken to the amount of $7.32, report adopted.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We your Committee on Foreign Mission submit the following report. We find that on account of failing health, Bro. Rhodes and wife had to return from Japan and that Prof. Woodworth, and wife Miss Penrod have been selected to fill their place in the foreign mission field and they have accepted, and have sailed.

We suggest that the several churches be asked to send the same amount as last year with an increase of 25% and the new churches in the same proportion.

J. D. ELDER, Chairman.

Report on Sunday schools read, discussed by H. W. Elder and J. W. Sephenson. The President appointed H. W. Elder, J. W, Stephenson, J. W. Manning as special Committee on S. S. and to organize a Sunday school convention in the bounds of our Conference; report adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We your Committee on Sunday schools submit the following: We consider the Sabbath school as one of the greatest helps of the church and it should re-

ceive our impartial attention and support. We are happy to report the most of our churches supporting the Sunday school work. We therefore ask the pastors of the different churches to persuade their people to establish a school in every locality, and especially the secretary of the churches should look after this work.

C. W. SWAN, Chairman.

On motion Rev, H. W. Elder was appointed as fraternal messenger to the N. C. & Va. and to the East Va. and Deep River Conferences.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved that the thanks of this body are due and hereby tendered to the members of New Hope church and the citizens of this community for the Royal manner in which they have entertained this Conference

Unanimously adopted by raising vote.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Executive: J. D. Elder, G. H. Hunt, W. R. Knight

Examination: C. M. Dollar, H. W. Elder, M. D. Chewning.

Sabbath Schools: J. B. Orr, J. H. Hughes, J. M. Stephenson.

Temperance: S. N. Sledge, C, M. Dollar, W. D. Mitchel.

Standing of Churches: W. I. Manning, J. W. Elder, Sr., Y. East.

Standing of Ministry, J. W. Elder, Jr., G. D. Hunt, J. D. Elder.

Home Mission: J. W. Manning, C. M. Dollar, H. O. Wallace.

Foreign Mission: H. W. Elder, W. R. Knight C. H. Stephenson.

Religious Literature: E. M. Gay, Thos, Orr, M. F. Lett.

Education: C. M. Dollar, H. W. Elder, J. W. Manning.

We trust these committees will all be ready with their reports when the next session meets.—(SECRETARY.)

REPORT OF THE HOME MISSIONARY.

Preached sermons, 116; Exhortations, 22; Members Received, 64; Baptized, 25; Married Couples, 5; Funerals, 13; Lectures, 2; Miles Traveled, 1,880.

J. D. ELDER.

Our Churches failed to come up with the Home Mission fund but the amount has been vouched for and J. D. Elder is in the field for another year.—(SECRETARY)

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received for Minutes	$15.70	
Home Mission	82.14	
Foreign Mission	27.40	
Total	$125.24	
Paid for Minutes W. G. Clements		$15.70
Home Mission J. D. Elder		82.14
Foreign Mission W. G. Clements		27.40
Total		$125.24

The following amounts have been apportioned for Home Missions:
New Hope, $49.50; Union Chapel, $7.92; New Harmony, $15.12; Union Grove, $5.04; Pleasant Grove, $14.22; Forest Home, $6.66; Macedonia, $5.04; Beulah, $16.74; Christiana, $5.94; Rock Spring, $11.34; Antioch, $15.12; McGuires Chapel, $14.58; Mount Zion, $7.38; Corinth, $3.60.

The following amounts have been apportioned for Foreign Missions:
New Hope, $8.93; Union Chapel, $1.43; New Harmony, $2.73; Union Grove, $0.91; Pleasant Grove, $2.56; Forest Home, $1.20; Macedonia, $0.91; Beulah, $5.10; Christiana, $1.10; Rock Springs, $2.04; Antioch, $2.73; McGuires Chapel, $2.70; Mount Zion, $1.33; Corinth, $0.65.

Minutes read and adopted.

No other business Conference adjourned by singing God be with you till we meet again.

J. D. ELDER, President. G. D. HUNT, Sec.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches and Pastors	Number Reported Last Session	Received Since	Dismissed	Withdrawn	Died	Expelled	Whole Number or Present Membership	Amount Paid Pastor	Other Purposes	No. in Sunday School	Money Raised	Value of Church Property
New Hope, J. D. Elder	282	8	9		4	2	275		25 35	55	12 00	1000
New Harmony, J. W. Elder	85	4			1	4	84	40 00	12 50			100
Union Grove, H. W. Elder	28			1			27	5 00	100 00	47	6 00	100
Pleasant Grove, J. W. Elder	81	3	3		1	1	79		4 75	33	3 00	300
Forest Home, H. W. Elder	13	24					37	25 00	6 60	28	4 00	
McGuire's Chapel, H. W. Elder	35	46					81	12 00	7 60			150
Antioch, J. W. Elder	87	1			2	2	84		10 75	23		300
Christiana, T. H. Elder	30	7			2	2	33		2 26			
Beulah, T. H. Elder	108	8	16			2	98		13 26			700
Phœnix City, G. D. Hunt							22			65		
Macedonia, J. L. Neese	27	2			1		28		4 50			
Liberty, Jubilee Smith							16					
Rock Spring, W. R. Knight	62	4			2	1	63	13 00	2 00			400
Mt. Zion, W. R. Knight	34	7					41		4 90			
Union Chapel, J. D. Elder		44					44	61 50	19 45			
Corinth, W. R. Knight		20					20					

Our statistical table is not full, simply because the churches failed to fill out the blanks. Brethren I have done the best I could and hope you will excuse all mistakes and blunders.

Yours in the faith,

G. D. HUNT, Sec.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

EASTERN VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE,

IN ITS.

SEVENTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION.

BEREA CHURCH, Norfolk, Co., Va.
November 1st, 1892.

The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference met here today in its seventy-second annual session Rev. W. W. Staley, President of last session, called the body to order.

Roll of ministers and churches was called and responded to as follows:

ELDERS:—J. P. Barrett, S. S. Barrett, J. W. Barrett, M. W. Butler, H. H. Butler, J. T. Kitchen, N. G. Newman, W. W. Staley.

LICENTIATES: R. D. H. Demarest.

CHURCHES: Antioch: J. W. Roberts; Barretts: J. L. Branch; Berea (Nansemond County:) G. T. Rawls, Thos. R. Gaskins; Berea (Norfolk County:) Geo. L; Hanbury, M. W. Hollowell; Berkley: D. J. Bowden; Bethany: Isaac Jones; Bethlehem: David McClenny;

Burton's Grove: L. B. Faison; Cypress Chapel: T. W. Howell, Napoleon Brothers; Eures: S. J. Felton; Franklin: L. W. Norfleet, J. T. Harcum; Holland: W. H. Jernigan, Joshua T. Daughtry; Holy Neck: E. S. Norfleet, E. H. Darden, A. T. Holland; Isle of Wight Court House: S. T. Spivey, L. H. Whitley; Johnson's Grove: J. W. Johnson; Liberty Spring: J. T. Pierce, B. R. Dowdy; Mt. Carmel: J. H. English, Mills Britt, J. E. T. Joyner; Mt. Zion: W. M. Hix; New Labanon: O. M. Cockes, J. W. Edwards; Norfolk Mission: A Savage; Oakland: Julius Byrd; Providence: R. A. Hyslop; Suffolk: S. A. Baker; Union (Southampton County): M. L. Beale, R. C. Scott: Union (Surry County): H. J. Dodd; Windsor: F. C. Roberts.

After religious exercises conducted by Rev. H. H. Butler Conference went into the election of President for this session. Rev. W. W. Staley was elected by acclamation to that office. Rev. N. G. Newman was elected Assistant Secretary.

Rev. M. W. Butler was elected collector, to receive the various funds sent up by the churches, and ordered to report the same to this body.

On motion, the delegates were instructed to pay to the collector, the amount sent for Annuals along with the other funds.

Revs. W. G. Clements, Editor of the CHRISTIAN SUN, W. T. Herndon of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, J. L. Foster Secretary of the N. C. & Va. Conference and C. J. Jones, D. D., of Miami, Ohio, Christian Conference were invited to seats as deliberative members.

Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order by the President.

The following were appointed to fill vacancies on committees:

Home Missions: Dr. J. P. Barrett, L. H. Whitley.
Foreign Missions: N. G. Newman, E. S. Norfleet.
Temperance: J. W. Barrett, Mills Britt.
Religious Literature: O. M. Cockes. D. J. Dowden.

The Committee on Education made a partial report, asking that Rev. C. J. Jones, D. D., of Miami, Ohio, Christian Conference, be admitted by transfer to this Conference. On motion the same was adopted.

The time having arrived for the delivery of the Annual address, at the request of Dr. Barrett who was to deliver the same, it was decided to postpone it until tonight.

Ministerial reports were received from the following:

Ministers: J. P. Barrett, S. S. Barrett, J. W. Barrett, M. W. Butler, M. L. Hurley, R. H. Holland, J. T. Kitchen, N. G. Newman, W. W. Staley, C. J. Jones.

Licentiates: R. D. H. Demarest, W. J. Laine.

Church letters were called for. On motion, the reading of them was dispensed with and Rev. N. G. Newman, S. A. Baker and L. B. Faison were appointed a committee to summarize same.

Reports of Fraternal messengers being called for were responded to as follows:

Rev. W. W. Staley had attended the N. C. & Va. conference. On account of sickness Dr. Barrett had not attended the Deep River Conference. Rev. H. H. Butler had not attended the Virginia Valley Conference on account of sickness and, also, Rev. J. T. Kitchen on account of press of ministerial labors was unable to attend.

Fraternal messengers were elected as follows: To the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, Revs. J. P. Barrett, D. D., J. T. Kitchen, W. W. Staley. To the Deep River Conference, Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D. To the Virginia Valley Conference, Revs. J. W. Barrett and J. T. Kitchen; Ga. and Ala. Conference, Revs. H. H. Butler, C. J. Jones, D. D., J. T. Kitchen, J. P. Barrett, D. D.

Rev. J. W. Barrett was elected to deliver the annual

address next session, with Rev. N. G. Newman as alternate.

Mt. Carmel was selected as the place to hold the next annual session. Dr. J. P. Barrett and delegates of this church were appointed a committee on Religious Exercises.

A. Savage, B. R. Dowdy and Napoleon Brothers were appointed a Committee on Finance.

The report of the Executive committee was submitted and on motion was adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your committee, early in the year, authorized the transfer of Rev. C. C. Peel to the N. C. & Va. Christian Conference because he had accepted work at Burlington, N. C.

On July 21st, 1892, we examined the credentials of Rev. Roger Charnock and ordered that they be recognized until Conference and that the Berkley church, with our consent, might have the liberty to engage his services, as pastor till that time. He held ministerial credentials from the Congregational church in England and had united, as a local member, with the Berkley Christian church since his arrival in this country.

W. W. STALEY,
H. H. BUTLER,
J. T. KITCHEN,
Com.

The following schedule was adopted:

Meet at 9:30 A. M. and adjourn at 1 o'clock P. M. meet at 2 o'clock P. M. and adjourn at 4 P. M.

Ira Connelly delegate from Union (Surry Co.) was enrolled.

It was announced that Rev. J. L. Foster of Raleigh, N. C., would preach in this church tomorrow night at 7:30 o'clock and that Rev. M. W. Butler would preach tomorrow night at Providence Christian church at the same hour. The Treasurer submitted his annual report, and after same was read, it was referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion Conference adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

Religious exercises by Rev. J. T. Kitchen.

SECOND DAY.

After devotional exercises conference met with the President in the chair, roll of ministers and delegates was called.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Dr. C. J. Jones, T. R. Gaskins and M. L. Beale were appointed a committee on Resolutions.

Delegates J. T. Harris from Waverly and J. T. White from Spring Hill arrived and were enrolled.

The committee on Resolutions submitted the following resolution which was adopted.

Resolved, That it is the judgment of this conference, that in every case where the members of one of our churches shall move into or within the reasonable bounds of another, that a letter of transfer be taken, even though the change may be temporary; and we advise all our members, now living within the bounds of other than the Christian church of which they are members, do as early as possible make the transfer necessary to bring them into active relations with such church.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

The Temperance cause is gaining influence with all who have given it thoughtful, earnest, and prayerful attention — from temperance papers, sermons, and lectures we gather this information. There are many excellent people, in the habit of using intoxicating liquors, who have not yet acknowledged it to be wrong, but when they see that the example they set is a bad one, it should cause them to stop the habit at once, and cultivate habits more consistent for those professing godliness. The more one drinks of the dangerous cup, the more he wants to do so, until the habit holds him so strong it is often impossible to get away from it.

We have seen strong drink take away manhood in its glory and prime; we have seen it dethrone and destroy the most brilliant mind, and cause it to go out like a falling star; we have seen it bring poverty and want where prosperity and plenty once abounded; we have seen it divest home of its beauty and happiness; we have seen it enter the marriage relation and steal every particle of love and affection; we have seen it ruin young men and put them in an early grave; we have seen it overpower old men and bring them to a disgraceful end.

The liquor traffic and habit has brought more suffering, crime, poverty, and sin into the world than anything else. It has been a hothouse in which ignorance and shame have quickly grown. It has furnished our jails and prisons with thousands of prisoners every year. It crowds our almshouses with many wretched, ruined inmates. It has broken up many pleasant family associations. It has sent millions of souls to eternal death.

This view of the subject is no painted fancy, no wild, imaginative conception, but a distressing reality.

Brethren, members of this Conference, let us try to reclaim the fallen—some of them may be too far on the downward way but let us deal with them gently, patiently, tenderly, and lovingly; it may be that we can do them good in this way.

We recommend 1. That this Conference take and r ad in connection with the Bible more Temperance literature.

2. That the children receive special training in the principles of Temper

ance and that they be earnestly impressed to abstain from everything that will intoxicate.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. KITCHEN,
J. W. BARRETT,
MILLS BRITT,
Com.

The report was discussed by Revs. J. T. Kitchen, H. H. Butler, W. W. Staley, and Dr. C. J. Jones and adopted.

On motion Conference decided to adjourn to the call of the chair for the purpose of calling together the Missionary Association.

Conference resumed business.

E. E. Holland and J. F. McGinniss delegates from Suffolk and Berkley respectively were enrolled.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

It gives us great pleasure to report progress in the Sabbath school work during the past year. Many of our schools have put in libraries from which the grown people and especially the children are receiving real benefit. A great many have established a Childrens Day from which they are reaping great spiritual and financial benefit. The greater number of our schools are now dismissed with a divine invocation. Liberality is being taught and practiced to a greater extent now than ever before. Our last Sunday school convention raised perhaps more than twice as much money as it ever did before in one year.

There are but few of our schools but that are using our own literature. Signs of progress are to be seen in almost every department of this work for which we thank God and add the following recommendations:

1st. That those of our schools not using our own lesson helps be urged to do so.

2nd. That each school now without a library make an earnest endeavor to secure one.

3rd. That each of our schools study the Bible more earnestly and prayerfully upon the subject of liberality.

4th. That in our preparation to teach and to learn the Scriptures we use more prayer and exercise greater faith in God.

5th. That in our Sunday school work we forever abolish the proud and haughty spirit, and in its stead put on the meek and humble spirit of our own blessed Saviour.

6th. That officers, teachers and parents, in connection with our Sunday schools, try to more fully realize the great responsibility resting upon them.

7th. That if there is a Sunday school in our connection being from time to time dismissed without the divine invocation that that school be urged to neglect it no more.

J. W. BARRETT,
I. W. NORFLEET.
J. W. JOHNSON,
Com.

Pending the discussion of this report Conference adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order by the President.

The report of committee on Sabbath schools was taken up and, after discussion by Rev. J. W. Barrett, was adopted.

On motion an appropriation of $60.00, or as much as the collections will allow, was granted to S. S. Barrett to be paid out of the Superannuated Fund, quarterly in advance, amended that Rev. Roger Charnock, pastor of Berkley Christian church, of which Rev. S. S. Barrett is a member, supplement the same as he sees fit.

A. Savage and E. H. Darden were appointed a committee to assess the churches for the Superannuated Fund.

On motion the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference was authorized to send three delegates to the Christian Missionary Association which was announced to meet in this church this evening at 4 o'clock.

L. H. Whitley, J. W. Johnson and S. A. Baker were elected said delegates.

The Committee on Education submitted their report.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Your committee is reminded of the increas—necessity for a wider Christian culture. In addition to general education, every department of life has its special training school. The church must not fall behind other institutions, but should take the lead in training and developing the human mind and heart. The pulpit especially needs the ripest scholarship and the deepest spirituality combined. Gigantic corporations send forth mighty periodicals containing information on all subjects from all lands and all times. History and art and sciences are thus spread out before men, and the people are becoming wiser in the things of the world every year. To win men thus enlightened over to Jesus Christ demands advocates of the cross who stand in the front rank of secular education and who are filled with the Holy Ghost. The great desideratum is education in the most comprehensive sense. It must be universal in people and axiomatic in its simplicity. In the founding of Elon College we have attempted advanced service in the field of Christian culture.

I. Elon College is worthy of our patronage and our most liberal offerings. It is an Institution dedicated to Christian education for all time. Its student body is its richest possession and is full of promise to the church. Our people have done nobly in gifts and in sending students, and the harvest will be rich in years to come.

II. The co-educational feature meets with opponents only as an exception to the rule. It is winning favor and gaining ground every passing year. It is so manifestly of Divine planning that time and experience will remove all traces of prejudice, and all institutions will finally adopt this same method. It meets so completely the question of economy, of manners,

and of morals, that education is reduced to the simple preparation of human beings for useful lives.

III. The following young men preparing for the ministry are under our care: W. J. Laine, a licentiate, R. H. Peel, J. W. Rawls, Joseph Jones, John W. Harrell, L. L. Lassiter, R. H. Demarest, licentiate, and Ira Connelly. All, except two named last, are in Elon College, and R. H. Demarest is attending Rev. Roger Charnock's school in Berkley and is preaching at Holland. R. H. Peel and J. W. Rawls, who are candidates for graduation this year, and who are recommended by Liberty Spring church for licensure, are hereby recommended as worthy of receiving license: and we ask the Conference to authorize the President to either license them or appoint some one to do so.

IV. We recommend that the ministerial students under our care refrain from the use of tobacco in all its forms. We believe that useless habits should not be formed by those who aspire to the holy service of the preacher of the gospel, and that self-denial should be part of his education for this great work.

V. We recommend the following assessments for education:

Antioch, $20; Barretts, $5; Bethany, $10; Bethlehem, $12; Berea (Nansemond) $20; Berea (Norfolk) $15; Berkley, $5; Burton's Grove, $5; Centerville, $5; Cypress Chapel, $20; Damascus, $15; Eures, $5; Franklin, $5; Holland, $5; Holy Neck, $20; Ivor, $5; Isle of Wight C. H., $3; Johnson's Grove, $5; Liberty Spring, $10; Mt. Carmel, $12; Mt. Zion, $5; Oakland, $10; Providence, $12; Spring Hill, $10; Suffolk $15; Union (Surry,) 5; Union (Southamption) 5; Waverly, 5; Windsor, 6; Norfolk Mission, 5.

VI. We commend the course of Rev. J. T. Kitchen who voluntarily, in June 18, 1892, paid to the Treasurer of Conference $200.00 to be placed to the credit of the Educational fund for ministerial education, the same being a grateful return for aid given him while in school at Suffolk many years ago. But for this donation we would not be able to keep our students in college this year. We recommend the following appropriation for the present scholastic year.

W. J. Laine	$100
R. H. Peel	100
J. W. Rawls	100
L. L. Lassiter	100
	400

Rev. C. J. Jones, D. D., has placed into our hands his certificate of transfer from "the Miami Ohio Christian Conference" as an application for membership in the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, and we heartily recommend his reception.

Rev. Roger Charnock has placed into our hands his ministerial credentials, which had been examined by us and approved temporarily by the Executive committee in July, and we now take pleasure in recommending him for membership in this Conference. He was a member of the Congregational church in England and has united with the Berkley Christian church since coming to America.

W. W. STALEY,
N. G. NEWMAN,
M. W. BUTLER,
Com.

Discussed by Revs. W. W. Staley, J. T. Kitchen, N. G. Newman, Dr. Barrett, W. T. Herndon, W. G, Clements and on motion adopted.

Report of committee to assess churches for the Superannuated Fund as follows:

Antioch, $5; Barretts, $2; Berea (Nansemond), $5; Berea (Norfolk), $3; Berkley, $3; Bethany, $3; Bethlehem, $4; Burton's Grove, $2; Centerville, $2; Cypress Chapel, $5; Damascus, $4; Eures $33; Franklin, $4; Holland, $3; Holy Neck, $5; Isle of Wight C.H., $3; Ivor, $2; Johnson's Grove, $2; Liberty Spring, $3; Mt. Carmel, $4; Mt. Zion, $4; New Lebanon, $2; Norfolk Mission, $5; Oakland, $3; Providence, $4; Spring Hill, $4; Suffolk, $5; Union (Southampton, $2; Union (Surry), $2; Waverly, $3; Windsor, $3. Total $104.

On motion report adopted.

The Committee on Religious exercises announced that Rev. W. G. Clements instead of Rev. M. W. Butler would preach at Providence Christian church tonight. Rev. W. W. Staley was announced to preach in this church tomorrow at 12 o'clock M, and Dr. C. J. Jones at 7.30 o'clock tomorrow night. On motion conference adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9.30 o'clock.

THIRD DAY.

Conference was called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. R. D. H. Demarest.

Roll of ministers and delegates was called and minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

On motion it was ordered that the churches be assessed for Conference and Publication fund—the assessment to be the same as for the Superannuated fund.

It was decided to publish the minutes of this session in the Annuals.

The Committee on Foreign Missions submitted their report and, after being discussed by Revs. H. H. Butler and W. G. Clements, on motion the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Some years ago, the church, North and South; East and West, united in this foreign work and not quite six years ago Rev. D. F. Jones and his wife were sent to Japan to preach Christ and Him crucified to the heathen. This was a step in the direction of what the Master said "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." Some two or three years ago, Rev. H. J. Rhodes and wife were sent, who joined in the work with Bro. and Sister Jones. Much good has been done in Japan through the efforts of these faithful men and women of God. Nine Christian churches have been organized and several mission stations established. Bro. Rhodes and his wife have returned home and Rev. A. D. Woodworth, A. M., his wife and Miss C. Tena Penrod left for Japan on the 27th of Sept., 1892, and are now with Bro. and Sister Jones in this good work. There are also, we learn, some ten or twelve preparing themselves for this foreign work.

We have at the present in Japan five missionaries and about 38 or 40 preaching places. We also, have a native preacher located at each station, or preaching place. These native preachers are very zealous, working almost beyond their strength to induce the heathen to give up their false gods.

With these facts before us, we must realize that there is still a greater work for us to do, than that which has already been done. Therefore, to sustain this foreign work, it is necessary for us to pray more and to give more. We must raise, in the Southern Christian Convention, to sustain this important work of the church not less than $1000 for the coming year.

Therefore, we recommend the following assessments for 1892. Antioch, $15; Barretts, $5; Berea (Nansemond)$15; Berea (Norfolk) $10; Burtons Grove, 7; Berkley, 10; Bethany, 10; Bethlehem 12; Centerville, 4; Cypress, Chapel, 15; Damascus, 10; Eures, 6; Franklin, 6; Mt. Carmel, 10; New Lebanon 4; Oakland, 6; Providence, 15; Spring Hill, 10; Suffolk, 15; Union (Southamption), 5; Union (Surry), 5; Waverly, 5; Windsor, 6; Mt. Zion, 10; Holland, 6; Holy Neck, 18; Ivor, 5; Johnsons Grove, 5; Liberty Spring, 8.

We recommend that Conference pay over to A. Moring Treasurer $200.00.

H H. BUTLER,
N. G. NEWMAN,
E. S. NORFLEET,
Com.

The following resolution was submitted and approved:

Resolved, That we return thanks to the Home Mission Board of the American Christian Convention for the assistance rendered to the Union Christian Church Mission of Norfolk, Va., toward current expenses in the year just closed, and we most respectfully and earnestly request that Board to make an appropriation of at least the same amount for the year ending Nov. 1, 1893, i. e., $400. We are the more solicitous relative to this appropriation from the fact that during the ensuing year a large and substantial church building will be erected which will drain our resources and put heavy burdens upon our entire people —as a Conference we do most earnestly and unanimously adopt the above resolution and urge its favorble consideration by the Mission Board of the American Christian Convention to meet in January, 1893.

T. A. JONES, Church Clerk.
C. J. JONES, Pastor.

L. S. Parker delegate from Damascus arrived and was enrolled.

The report of committee on Home Missions was submitted, taken up seriatim and on motion adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your committee on Home Missions submit their annual report as follows:

1. We have an application from members of the Christian church living in the city of Roanoke, Va., asking for assistance to begin work there. Believing there is an opening for us in that city, we ask that Conference appoint a suitable man to visit the place and make a personal inspection of the

surroundings and the prospects, and that he be instructed to submit the results of his investigation together with an estimate of the probable expense and the assistance needed in the work desired to the Home Mission Committee of this body, who may in their discretion appeal to the Executive Committee for necessary aid.

2. The Norfolk Mission makes its own appeal, being already the child of this body. It now has 209 members, 157 having been added during the past year, and they have helped themselves nobly by raising at least $1200.00 to meet their own current expenses, and have, also raised 5,500.00 in cash and subscriptions toward a building fund. They have also raised in subscriptions, considered good $5000.00 in the Southern Convention outside of Norfolk with $500.00 from the North.

3. We ask Conference to make an appropriation of $195.00 to pay interest on the debt held against it for the property of the Norfolk Mission.

4. We also ask you to make an appropriation of $400.00 to aid this church in meeting its current expenses.

5. We are assured that as soon as their new house of worship is completed and paid for, the church will be self-sustaining, while even now it is liberally helping in our general work, and we therefore ask that a special effort be made to raise funds for the new house of worship, and to this end that each church and pastor in the United States and Canada be requested to set apart the day in which their service nearest to Christmas, 1892, may come, as a time for a special public collection and a special effort to raise subscriptions as a Christmas offering for the new house of worship in the city of Norfolk, and we further ask that all money so raised be forwarded direct to Col. A. Savage, Tr. of the building fund, Norfolk, Va., who will give receipts for the same. We urge earnest effort in this direction, as of the highest importance, for the sooner this work is completed, the sooner we shall put the Norfolk church on its feet for great usefulness, and the sooner our Conference can undertake other important fields.

6. We commend to our people everywhere for consideration and assistance the Missionary Association, whose purpose is to aid our weaker Conferences in fully establishing their work and to establish new Conferences where needed. This is a movement of the highest importance to our cause at large, and as we believe for the glory of God in the salvation of souls by the spread of the gospel of His beloved Son.

7. We recommend the following assessments for the ensuing year:—Antioch, $75; Barretts, $15; Bethany, $40; Bethlehem, $50; Berkley, $20; Berea (Nansemond), $80; Berea (Norfolk), $30; Burtons Grove, $20; Centerville, $5; Cypress Chapel, $70; Damascus, $40; Eures, $15; Franklin, $10; Hollands, $50; Holy Neck, $90; Isle of Wight C. H., $10; Johnsons Grove, $15; Liberty Spring $35; Mt. Carmel, $40; New Lebanon, 10; Mt. Zion, $20; Oakland $30; Providence, $30; Spring Hill; $40; Suffolk, $90; Union (Southampton), $19; Union (Surry), $15; Waverly, $20; Windsor, $25, Ivor, 16.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. BARRETT,
T. R. GASKINS,
DAVID MCCLENNY.

The following was submitted and adopted:

Resolved, That Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., as chairman of the Home Mission Committee, visit the city of Roanoke, Va., in the interest of our church and that he be authorized to represent this body and that all necessary expenses be paid by the Conference.

A collection was taken up for the Norfolk Mission church and $120 was raised in cash and subscriptions.

Adjourned for preaching by Rev. W. W. Staley.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met with the President in the chair.

Rev. M. W. Butler, collector of Conference funds handed in his report. After the report was read, it was referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance report that they have examined the Treasurer's report, to this body, ending Oct. 31, 1892, finding proper vouchers for all moneys paid out and correct balances brought down as follows:

Home Mission fund	$15.53
Foreign	237.35
Educational	252.44
Convention	9.95
Superannuated	11.89
Conference and Publication	35.41
Total	$562.57

We further report that we have examined the collectors' report for the present session and find collected for the several general enterprises the following sums.

		Total including above.
For Home Missions	$645.07	$660.60
Foreign	184.57	421.92
Educational fund	172.50	424.94
Convention	19.21	29.16
Superannuated	31.33	43.22
Conference and Publication	20.72	56.13
	*1073.40	$1635.97

*Amounts raised by Barretts, Centerville and Ivor are not included in this sum as they were paid in after the report was submitted. Total of amounts from said churches $34.05.

SUMMARY.

Balance from last year	$562.57
Collections of 1892	1073.40
Total	1635.97

Respectfully submitted,

ALEX SAVAGE,
B. R. DAUGHTIE,
N. BROTHERS,
Com.

Rev. N. G. Newman who was directed to make statistical table from the church letters, submitted his report and on motion the report was approved.

The committee on Resolutions submitted the following and on motion it was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Conference be requested to address to Rev. M. L. Hurley a letter expres-

sive of the profound interest the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference takes in the condition of his health, and the general welfare of himself and family—To communicate to Bro. Hurley and family the sorrow of the Conference in the absence of our dear brother from the deliberations and councils of the body, and to assure them that we will continue to bear the condition of our brother's health in prayer before God, imploring our Heavenly Father if consistent with his will to restore his health, and give him many years of useful, happy life; and that in any event our brother may be divinely sustained and wear at length a conqueror's crown.

2. That a copy of this resolution be included in the Secretary's letter to Bro. Hurley.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Religious literature is the expression of a people's highest thought. It is therefore a correct index to character and as such largely places a people before the public in their true light, but religious literature is a growth and cannot therefore be the offspring of a spasmodic effort. No one generation has been able to produce a literature which has commanded the respect of educated people, or which has influenced the world in any great measure. One generation forms only the a b c's of literature; the next passes through its a-b ab, the third reaches its spelling and the fourth may possibly reach its early reading. So it requires a succession of generations to produce a creditable literature. One generation prepares the way for the next, and so any people who would give the world a good literature must be patient toilers. Literary effort must be encouraged by people who are not literary people. As a people therefore we must encourage those who are giving their time and labor to this great work.

We are in the ab abs of religious literature, but it is just as important for us to do this part of the work well, as it was for those whose part preceded or shall succeed us.

It is therefore highly gratifying to us to be able to say that our publishing house at Raleigh, N. C., under the management of Bros. Clements and Mood is doing a good work in preparing to put our literature before the public in a readable shape, and to this end we extend them our most hearty sympathy and we urge as the most practical thing we can do, a hearty encouragement financially.

The CHRISTIAN SUN continues the exponent of our principles and the faithful friend of our work as a denomination. It is therefore our most solemn duty to stand by the paper and give it every possible encouragement in its noble efforts to advance our cause. Let us see if we may not make the coming year one of great success for the paper.

We commend to the consideration of such of our people as can afford two religious papers the Herald of Gospel Liberty as an excellent paper.

J. P. BARRETT,
O. M. COCKES,
D. J. BOWDEN,
Com.

The report was discussed by Dr. Barrett, Rev. W. G.

Clements, Editor of the CHRISTIAN SUN, and Dr. Jones and on motion adopted.

Rev. M. W. Butler was announced to preach tomorrow afternoon.

Conference adjourned, with prayer by Rev. N. G. Newman to meet tomorrow at 9 ;30 o'clock.

FOURTH DAY.

Conference was called to order.

Prayer by the President.

The roll was called and minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The standing committees were announced by the President, as follows:

Education.—M. W. Butler, N. G. Newman.

Home Missions.—J. P. Barrett, D. D., E. E. Holland, T. R. Gaskins.

Foreign Missions.—H. H. Butler, David McClenny, T. W. Harrell.

Temperance.—J. T. Kitchen, L. H. Whitley, B. R. Daughtie.

Religious Literature.—C. J. Jones, D. D., Roger Charnock, Col. A. Savage.

Sabbath Schools.—J. W. Barrett, I. W. Norfleet, J. W. Johnson.

Executive Committee.—W. W. Staley, H. H. Butler, J. T. Kitchen.

On motion the President of this body was added to the committee on Education, as chairman.

A church organized at Dendron, Surry Co., Va. by Rev. M. W. Butler, made application for membership in this Conference.

On motion the application was referred to the committee on Home Missions.

The Committee reported as follows.

The Home Mission committee, to whom was referred the application for membership in the this body by the church at Dendron, Surry Co., Va., recommend its reception into full membership in this body.

J. PRESSLEY BARRETT, Chairman.

The report was adopted.

The Secretary was authorized to draw on the Treasurer for $5.19 for bill rendered.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That 600 copies of Annuals be ordered by this conference and that the amount of money $47.10 collected for the same be deposited in bank to credit Conference and Publication Fund and that the President and Secretary of Conference be appointed to superintend the publication of them and that the extra number (129) published, be placed in the hands of the Chairman of Home Mission Committee for distribution.

A deficit for the ensuing year was noted in the Superannuated Fund and on motion the ministers of this Conference were requested to take up a special collection in December and send the amount to the Treasurer of Conference to supplement the Fund.

On motion Conference adjourned to the call of the chair for the Missionary Association to have a meeting.

Conference resumed business.

Rev. Mr. Jolliff of the M. E. church was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

The following was adopted.

Resolved 1. That as a Conference we put upon record our high appreciation of the generous and abundant hospitality with which the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference has been entertained by the Berea Christian church of Norfolk Co., its members, and friends, and with equal pleasure and satisfaction we will welcome to our churches and homes these dear friends whenever in the providence of God the opportunity be given so to do.

2. That the expression of the Conference be taken by a standing vote.

The following resolution offered by Rev. N. G. Newman was adopted.

Resolved, That the President of this Conference be requested to deliver at its next session an address showing

its present working status and giving counsel for future plans and operations.

The Committee on Resolutions submitted the following which was adopted:

Resolved, That the President of this Conference be requested to memorialize the Executive Board of the American Christian Convention through its President, asking its recognizance of the call of this Conference to the Christian Churches of Canada and America for a special collection in each church on the Sabbath nearest the Christmas services to aid in the erection of the Christian Church building in Norfolk, Va., and that he officially reiterate the call through the Herald of Gospel Liberty and kindly urge the unanimous action of all our churches.

Conference adjourned with devotional exercises, to meet with Mount Carmel church on Tuesday before the first Sunday in November, 1893, at 11 o'clock A. M.

W. W. STALEY, President,
Suffolk, Va.

T. J. LAWRENCE, Secretary,
South Quay, Va.

N. G. NEWMAN, Asst. Secretary,
Suffolk, Va.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

WM. H. JONES, JR., Treasurer, in account with
The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

HOME MISSION FUND.

		Dr.	Cr.
1890.			
Oct. 30.	To Balance	$32.48	
31.	" Conference collections	678.05	
Nov. 4.	By cash paid A. Savage		$170.00
Nov. 24.	" " " Tr.		100.00
Dec. 1.	" " " Rev. J. T. Kitchen		31.25
1892.			
Feb. 4.	" " " A. Savage Tr.		100.00
Feb. 20.	" " " Rev. J. T. Kitchen		31.25
May 4.	" " " A. Savage Tr.		100 00
May 9.	" " " Rev. J. T. Kitchen		31.25
Aug. 8.	" " " " " "		31.25
Aug. 8.	" " " A. Savage Tr.		100.00
	Balance Oct. 31, 1892		15.53
		$710.53	$710.53

CONVENTION FUND.

1891			
Oct. 30.	To Balance	$265.47	
31.	" Conference collections	19.48	
1892.			
Jan. 16.	By Cash paid for Hymn Books		275.00
	Balance Oct. 31, 1892		9.95
		$284.95	$284.95

FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

1891.			
Oct. 30.	To Balance	$92.95	
31.	"Conference collections	144.40	
	Balance Oct. 31, 1892		237.35
		$237.35	$237.35

SUPERANNUATED FUND.

1891.			
Oct. 30.	To Balance	44.20	
31.	" Conference collections	27.69	
Dec. 8.	By Cash to Rev. S. S. Barrett		15.00
1892.			
Feb. 5.	" " " " "		15.00
May 18.	" " " " "		15.00
Aug. 9.	" " " " "		15.00
	Balance Oct. 31, 1892		11.89
		$71 89	$71.89

CONFERENCE AND PUPLICATION FUND.

1891.			
Oct. 30.	To Balance	47.12	
Oct. 31	" Conference collections	77.45	
Dec. 15.	By Cash paid D. J. Bowden		13.16
31.	" " " W. G. Clements		62.50
1892.			
Sept. 13	" " " D. J. Bowden		12.50
Oct. 31.	" " " T. J. Lawrence		1.00
	Balance Oct. 31, 1892		35.41
		$124.57	$124.57

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

Oct. 30.	To Balance	181.94	
31.	" Conference Collections	146.61	
Dec. 16.	" Theological Fund	123.89	
1892.			
June 18.	" Cash of Rev. J. T. Kitchen	200.00	
1891.			
Dec. 4.	By Cash paid W. J. Laine		50.00
"	" " " R. H. Peel		62.50
"	" " " J. W. Rawls		62.50
Dec. 24.	" " " L. L. Lassiter		25.00
1892.			
Feb. 2.	" " " W. J. Laine		50.00
"	" " " R. H. Peel		62.50
"	" " " J. W. Rawls		62.50
"	" " " L. L. Lassiter		25.00
	Balance Oct. 31, 1892.		252.44
		$652.44	$652.44

SUMMARY.

Home Missions	15.53
Convention Fund	9.95
Foreign Missions	237.35
Superannuated Fund	11.89
Conference and Publication Fund	35.41
Educational	252.44
	$562.57.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches	Pastors	Secretaries and Their Postoffices	Present Membership	No. Reported Last Session	Received Since	Dismissed	Withdrawn	Died	Suspended	Expelled	Connected with Sunday School	Amount Paid Pastor	Establishing Schools	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Education	Superannuated Fund	Conference and Publication Fund	Convention Fund	Other Purposes	Total Amount	Value of Church Property
Antioch	J P Barrett	T J Clements, windsor, Va	324	331	15	7	2	8	5		67	229 00		26 18	5 00	3 10	2 00	1 53	96		267 77	1000
Barretts	N G Newman	J D Pond, Airfield, Va	155	131	28		3			1	60	50 50		5 00	2 50	2 50	75	22	60	50 00	111 10	600
Berea (Norfolk)	M L Hurley	T M Arthur, Deans, Va	141	128	14			1			65	350 00		80 00	12 00	20 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	350 00	818 00	5000
Berea (Nansemond)	J P Barrett	M w Hollowell, Great Bridge, Va	128	135	4	3	5	2		1	100	350 00		25 00	10 00	15 00	2 45	2 65	1 80	353 19	760 70	1500
Berkley	Roger Charnock	B F Townsend, Berkley, Va	136	127	23	1	1	4	8			600 00		20 00	10 00	5 00				175 00	810 00	7000
Bethany	J W Barrett	T J Lawrence, South Quay, Va	72	77	2	2		2	1	2		131 50		30 00	10 00	10 00	2 56	1 54	50	50 00	236 10	1600
Bethlehem	H H Butler	J w Faulk, Suffolk, Va	271	247	33	5		3		1	104	200 00		36 00	10 00	10 00	1 00	1 00	50	23 00	339 50	1600
Burton's Grove	N G Newman	Joseph Barrett, Airfield, Va		110								80 00		9 00	4 00	6 00	50	50	50	35 00	135 50	800
Centreville	N G Newman	A T Hatch, Disputanta, Va	25	3[illegible]		5	2				55	38 50		2 50	1 50		1 00	1 00	75	1 00	56 25	337
Cypress Chapel	H H Butler	w A King, Suffolk, Va	3[illegible]9	31[illegible]	12	4		9	7		48	225 00		33 60	5 00	10 00	50	50	50	165 00	439 86	2500
Damascus	H H Butler	R L orbett, Sunsbury, N C	277	248	35			5		1	131	225 00		12 28	2 80	2 42	73	50	50		244 23	1500
Dendron	M W Butler																					
Eures	J T Kitchen	J S Felton, Gatesville, N C	120	120	4		1	2		1	56	70 00		3 00	97					10 00	83 97	1000
Franklin	J W Barrett	I w Norfleet, Franklin, Va	27	2	7	1		2		1	59	175 00		10 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	1 00		45 00	243 00	3000
Holland	R D H Demarest	R H Holland, Holland, Va	156	12[illegible]	30					2	94	100 00		10 00	6 00	5 00				203 00	324 00	1200
Holy Heck	M L Hurley	F B Norfleet, Holland, Va	428	13[illegible]	12	7			6		72	400 00		90 00	15 00	20 00	1 25	1 25	1 25	65 00	993 75	3000
Isle of Wight C. H.	J T Kitchen	R L Spivey, Isle of wight, Va	69	5	21		2	1	1		80	25 00		5 00		2 00					32 00	2000
Ivor	N G Newman	J w Brittle, jr, vor, Va	62	6[illegible]	1		2	1	1		67	100 00		5 00	5 00	3 00	1 28	65	80	14 10	129 83	1000
Johnson's Grove	J w Barrett	J w Johnson, Vicksville, Va	101	9[illegible]	9	2	1	1	1	1	58	107 00		10 00	2 50	5 00	1 23			105 00	230 73	600
Liberty Spring	J T Kitchen	T E Parker, Savage Crossing, Va	192	18[illegible]	9	4					89	150 00		20 00	2 29				1 00	35 00	208 29	1300
Mount Carmel	J T Kitchen	P D Howell, windsor, Va	294	25[illegible]	50	2		2	2	3	102	118 85		23 54		1 00	3 00		2 50		148 89	1200
Mount Zion	H H Butler	G w Haughwout, Crittendens, Va	64	44	23			2			79	150 00		15 00	10 00	5 00	1 50			60 60	241 58	2800
New Lebanon	N G Newman	O V cockes, Spottsville, Va	61	55	11		3	2			60	57 25		10 00	4 00	64	47	38		21 05	93 79	1000
Norfolk Mission	C J Jones	T A Jones, Norfolk, Va	209								156	1600 00								451 65	2051 65	1000
Oakland	H H Butler	A L Saunders, Everetts, Va	86	129		2		1	40		79	150 00		25 00	2 00	5 00	25	25	15		182 65	1000
Providence	J P Barrett	F L Portlock, Great Bridge, Va	79	90	5	3		3	10		50	350 00		25 00	37 15	12 00	2 50			50 00	476 65	2500
Spring Hill	M W Butler	R T west, waverly, Va	132	126	6						95	234 00	50 00	10 47	2 62	2 61	85	1 64	81	92 50	385 75	1500
Suffolk	W W Staley	B F cutchin, Suffolk, Va.	299	236	66			3			279	1000 00		75 00	15 00	15 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	6375 00	7495 00	16000
Union (Southampton)	J W Barrett	Jeremiah Beale, Isaacs, Va	106	130		2		2	18		79	66 35		6 00	2 74	50	1 00	50	60		77 69	800
Union (Surry)	M W Butler	G w Andrews, Dendron, Va	90	83	7							90 00		10 00	2 50	3 00	20	30	29		106 29	1000
Waverly	M w Butler	T w Johnson, waverly, Va	86	85	1							200 00		10 00	3 00	4 23	34	26	35		218 12	1000
Windsor	J T Kitchen	M L watkins, Windsor, Va	54	54	4	1			2	1	79	60 00		15 00	5 00	5 00				60 00	145 00	1500

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

DEEP RIVER CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE,

IN ITS.

TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION.

UNION GROVE, Randolph Co., N. C.,
November 10, 1892.

The Deep River Christian Conference assembled here today in its twenty-sixth annual session, and was called to order by Rev. H. T. Moffitt, President of last session.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. E. H. Jarrell.

Elders present:—J. S. Lawrence, W. W. Hayworth, E. H. Jarrell, H. A. Albright, S. H. Way, J. A. Webster, W. B. Richardson, J. W. Patton, W. W. Lawrence, H. T. Moffitt.

Elders absent:—A. S. Nelson, W. R. Brown, W. M. Craven, J. A. Scott, J. A. Cooper.

Licentiates present;—S. T. Moffitt, B, F. Kern.

Churches and Delegates:—
Pleasant Grove: Jas. Scott, L. E. Brady, Isaac Brady.
Park Cross Roads: J. A. Parks, J. A. Barker.
Smithwood: P. C. Humble, N. Low.
Pleasant Ridge: A. H. Williams.
New Center: Daniel Dunlap.
New Bear Creek: Not represented.
Shady Grove: Hiram Freeman.
Shiloh: J. E. Albright and S. L. Hayworth.
Antioch: W. A. C. Brady.
Staley's: Not represented.
Christian Union: William Kennedy.
Pleasant Cross: J. M. Pugh.
Patterson's Grove: (J. A. Ellison.)
Union Grove: E. F. Cagle and Ira C. Brown.
Big Oak: William L. Britt.
Macedonia: (Albert Smith and Levi Tucker.)
Spoon's Chapel: A. S. Hamilton and J. C. Wright.
Mt. Union: S. G. Phillips.
St. John's: (Thomas Ellis.)
Pleasant Union: Noah Yates and Jones Griffin.
Brown's Chapel: John Saunders and John M. Morgan.

A quorum being present, Conference elected permanent officers as follows:

Rev. W. W. Hayworth, President, and Bro. J. W. Parks, Vice-President. The secretary being absent, Rev. H. A. Albright was chosen assistant secretary.

On motion Conference adjourned till 1:30 p. m. for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President.

Rev. J. W. Patton presented a letter of transfer from the North Carolinia and Virginia Christian Conference to this Conference, which was unanimously accepted, and Bro. Patton was received as an Elder and a member of this body.

On motion the business of Conference was suspended to hear the opening address, which was delivered by

Rev. W. W. Hayworth in the place of Bro. J. R. Comer the appointer of last Conference who was not present. Bro. Hayworth's subject was based upon the words found in the gospel according to St. John 4:36. "And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal; that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together."

The Executive Committee made their report as follows:

"Your Committee would report. That we met at Shiloh on the 9th day of April last, and after examination, licensed Bros. M. A. Baldwin, D. R. Stinson, and S. T. Moffitt to preach the gospel as probationers till the meeting of Conference.

And from reasons set before us, we changed the place of holding our Conference from Mt. Union, Moore county to Union Grove, Randolph county, N. C."

Respectfully,

H. A. ALBRIGHT,
W. W. LAWRENCE,
Com.

After some remarks by Revs. W. W. Lawrence and H. A. Albright the report was adopted.

The name of Rev. J. W. Patton was added to the Committee on Religious Literature.

On motion the President appointed Bros. L. E. Brady, J. R. Parks, and B. F. Kern a committee to look after the publication of our minutes in the Annual.

On motion it was decided that Conference meet each day at 9 a. m., adjourn at 12 m. for dinner, re-assembble at 1 p. m. and adjourn at will.

On motion Rev. J. W. Patton was elected to deliver the annual address before this body at its next annual session. And Rev. J. S. Lawrence was chosen as alternate.

On motion Conference adjourned to meet tomorrow at 9 a. m.

Rev. J. A. Webster conducted religious services.

SECOND DAY.

Nov. 11th, 9 A. M.

Conference convened and called to order by President Hayworth.

The minutes of yesterday read and approved. J. A. Ellison delegate from Patterson's Grove, Thos. Ellis delegate from St. John's, Albert Smith and Levi Tucker delegates from Macedonia, arrived and were enrolled. Rev. W. R. Brown and Rev. J. A. Cooper arrived and took their seats.

Bros. J. R. Comer and W. Hayes were also enrolled.

On motion Rev. J. H. Wright of the Methodist Protestant church was invited to a seat with us a deliberative member. Bro. L. A. Lowdersmith ministerial student of Elon College was also invited to a seat with us. These brethren accepted the invitation in appropriate remarks.

Brother Wright stated, in his remarks, that he desired to join our Conference, that he held license from the M. P. church.

Bro. Wright's case was placed in the hands of the Committee of Education.

The Committee on Sabbath schools submitted the following report:

We, you Committee on Sabbath schools, are glad to report that the most of our churches have Sabbath schools. The number of officers and teachers engaged is about ninety. And the number of pupils attending will exceed 900. Our schools generally, are using the Lesson Helps published at the Christian Publishing House, Dayton, Ohio. And we heartily recommend all our schools to use the Sabbath school Literature published at that House.

We further urge all Sabbath school workers to push this grand work until every church and remote corner shall have a Sabbath school.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. HAYWOTH,
E. H. JARREL,
HIRAM FREEMAN,
J. S. LAWRENCE,
Com.

Debated by Revs. W. W. Hayworth, J. R. Comer, E. H. Jarrell, S. H. Way, Bro. L. E. Brady, and Rev. J. S. Lawrence.

After the debate the report was unanimously adopted.

On motion Rev. W. S. Long. D. D., Rev. W. G. Clements Editor of the CHRISTIAN SUN, and Rev. Dr. W. T. Herndon were invited to seats in this Body as deliberative members. These brethren accepted in a few, well-timed remarks.

The Committee on Temperance made their report as follows:

Your Committee on Temperance beg leave to submit the following report:
First. We believe that intemperance is one of the greatest evils of the day, and that it is one of the greatest causes of the troubles against which we have to battle.
Resolved therefore, That the only right position to be taken in regard to the use of strong drink as a beverage is that of absolute prohibition.
And we further recommend that all our ministers preach it and practice it so that intemperance may have no place among us as Christians

Respectfully submitted,

JAS A. WEBSTER,
S. H. WAY,
P. C. HUMBLE,
Com.

The report was unanimously adopted after being debated by Revs. Jas. A. Webster, S. H. Way, Bro. P. C. Humble, Revs. H. A. Albright, W. B. Richardson, and W. T. Herndon.

On motion Conference adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference reassembled. The President in the chair. According to a previous order the church letters were handed in, but reading them was deferred till tomorrow morning.

Rev. Rufus King of the Friends being present was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

Bro. King accepted the invitation in a few kind remarks.

At this point, time was given Rev. W. G. Clements, Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., and Rev. Dr. Herndon to present the claims of the "CHRISTIAN SUN" and of Elon College.

The Committee on Foreign Missions submitted their report as follows:

We your Committee on Foreign Missons beg leave to make the following report:
We have been working only a few years in behalf of the Foreign Mission work, and while we have done something in that direction, we have not done what we might have done. We have the command: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." This command comes especially to us as a church. We should do all we can for the advancement and salvation of our fellow men. If we think or consider for a moment of the sad condition and great needs of the heathen, it does seem, that we would

be moved from the very depths of hearts to bestir ourselves as Christians and as a church in the grand work before us. So, seeing the importance of this work, we insist that pastors use every effort possible to raise money for this good work. As money is one of the great needs for the advancement of this cause, we recommend that one or two young ladies or gentlemen be appointed to assist the pastor in raising money for Foreign Missions. Bro. Jones and wife are doing a good work in Japan, but they need help, not only in the shape of men, but also in the shape of money. We further submit that each church raise the sum of money designated, Brown's Chapel, $2; Antioch, $2; Pleasant Grove, $4; Park's Cross Roads, $6; Smithwood, $3; Staley, $2; Pleasant Ridge, $3; Pleasant Cross, $2; Union Grove, $3; New Center, $2; Christian Union, $2; Shady Grove, $3; Big Oak, $3; St. John's $2; Patterson's Grove, $2; Macedonia, $2; Mt. Union, $2; Spoon's Chapel, $2; Shiloh, $5; Pleasant Union, $2.

E. A. MOFFITT,
L. E. BRADY,
W. B. RICHARDSON,
J. E. ALBRIGHT,
Com.

After being argued by Bro. E. A. Moffitt, L. E. Brady, Revs. Rufus King, W B. Richardson, H. A. Albright, and H. T. Moffitt, the report was adopted.

On motion Conference adjourned till tomorrow 9 a. m. Religious exercises conducted by Dr. Herndon.

THIRD DAY.

November 12, 9 a. m.

Conference convened and called to order by the President. Opening services by Rev. W. W. Lawrence. Minutes of yesterday were read and approved. Bro. J. N. Cagle, standing secretary, arrived and assumed his duties.

The letters from the various churches were read, and they gave some cheering news.

On motions it was decided that our churches use, hereafter, the blank church letter prepared at the SUN office, and further that each church purchase said letter for its use.

The Committee on Home Mission submitted the following:

Your Committee on Home Missions would offer the following report.

The spirit of missions is gradually increasing in our churches, but not as rapidly as we think it ought to. When we look around and see the fields already white unto harvest, and hear the cry for help to reap the grain that surrounds us, we should thus be stimulated to put more laborers into the harvest field. We conceive, in our minds, that there is nothing of greater importance to the success of our Conference than that of missions.

God forbid that we the ministers and the churches shall ever let its banners trail in the dust, but let us, by God's help, raise them higher and higher.

We recommend that each pastor for the next year preach, at least, two missionary sermons, and see that there is a Home Missionary society organized at each church under his charge.

We urge our brethren to use more zeal, courage and push in this great work so essential to our success. We further recommend that the churches composing this Conference pay the following assessments for the next year. Pleasant Grove, $6; Shiloh, $6; Park's Cross Roads, $7; Pleasant Ridge, $6; Union Grove, $5; Big Oak, $5; Shady Grove, $5; New Center, $4; Christian Union, $2; Macedonia, $1; Brown's Chapel $3; Antioch, $2; Patterson's Grove, $3; Smithwood, $5; Mt. Union, $2; Spoon's Chapel, $1; Pleasant Union, $1; St. John's, $1. Your committee recommend also that each pastor, in charge of churches, take up, at least, two public collections for Home Missions.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. PARKS,
H. T. MOFFITT,
J. R. COMER,
Com.

After discussion by Rev. H. T. Moffitt, Bro. J. R. Comer, Revs. H. A. Albright, J. A. Webster, J. W. Patton. J. S. Lawrence, S. H. Way, Bros. L. E. Brady, M. A. Baldwin. B. T. Kern, and Dr. Herndon, the report was unamiously adopted.

Upon the adoption of the above report a collection for Home Missions was taken up, and $5.91 were raised.

On motion, the next session of Conference will be held with the church at Park's Cross Roads.

On motion, Conference adjourned for dinner.

During the intermission Rev. Rufus King preached a good sermon from Isaiah 66: 1.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference convened. The President in the chair.

The Committee on Religious Literature made their report as follows:

This subject is one of great importance. One's reading is usually a fair index of his character.

1. The Holy Bible stands first as the Christians literature. Therefore we recommend the reading and study of the Holy Bible.

2. We recommend religious periodicals: the CHRISTIAN SUN, the Herald of Gospel Liberty, and other publications published by the Christian publishing houses.

3. We recommend that our Sabbath schools use our literature published at Dayton, Ohio.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. LAWRENCE,
J. R. PARKS,
J. W. PATTON,
C. H. WELCH,
Com.

Discussed by Revs. J. S. Lawrence, J. W. Patton. and Bro. J. R. Parks, and then adopted.

The Committee on Education reported as follows:

Your Committee to whom was referred the subject of Education beg leave to report:

That Bros. L. A. Lowdersmith, A. D. Hamilton, John M. Wooddell, and Hartwell Way were before us and after examination upon their religious experience and the Principles of our church, we recommend, (1.) That these brethren be admitted to the biblical class, and that they pursue their studies and prepare themselves for the work of the ministry.

(2.) That they exercise their gifts as the way may open and the good spirit may direct.

And also, Bros. Marion A. Baldwin, W. R. Julian, D. R. Stinson, J. R. Comer, and J. H. Wright were before us, and were examined upon our Principles, and we recommend, that Bros. M. A. Baldwin, W. R. Julian, D. R. Stinson, and J. H. Wright be licensed to preach the gospel as probationers for twelve months. And that Bro. J. R. Comer be ordained as Elder in the Christian church.

We further recommend to the favor and patronage of our people, Elon College, Bro. Patton's school at Park's Cross Roads, and the school at Shiloh conducted by J. R. Miller.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. ALBRIGHT,
W. R. BROWN,
W. W. HAYWORTH,
Com.

The report was adopted after being debated by Revs. H. A. Albright, W. R. Brown, W. T. Herndon.

On motion it was ordered by Conference that the Treasurer pay Rev. H. A. Albright twenty dollars for pastoral work at St. John's church for the past year.

By motion of Bro. J. R. Parks Conference obligates to render necessary assistance to the Randleman, mission for the ensuing year.

On motion of Rev. J. W. Patton Conference requires that every church belonging to this body be assessed ten cents per capita for the purpose of raising a ministerial fund for the benefit of ministerial students from this Conference.

On motion the name of the President W. W. Hayworth was added to the Committee on Education and also to the Executive Committee. A voluntary contribution for the education of young men preparing for the ministry was taken up which resulted as follows:

L. E. Brady, 50 cents; H. A. Albright, 50 cents; H. T. Moffitt. 50 cents; J. H. Wright, $1; (paid;) W. R. Julian, 50 cents; Rufus King, $1; P. C. Humble, 50 cents; E.

T. Cagle, 25 cents; (paid;) J. E. Albright, 25 cents; (paid;) B. F. Kern, 50 cents; J. R. Parks, 50 cents; A. H. Williams, 50 cents; J. N. Cagle, 50 cents. (paid.)

The annexed resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, that the thanks of this body are due, and are hereby tendered to this church, its pastor, and the friends in this community, for the kind entertainment of this session."

The following ministerial reports are subjoined.

"I have been in school a good portion of the past year; preached when able; had no charge."

J. R. COMER.

"I had no charge; aided in some protracted meetings; married no couple; baptized 12 persons by immersion near Browns' Chapel. To God be all the glory."

W. W. LAWRENCE.

I had charge of Park's Cross Roads, Smithwood, Union Grove, and Staley; preached 75 sermons; number of conversion, 30; amount of salary $200. Have also been teaching since July 18th, at Park's Cross Road Academy."

J. W. PATTON.

"I had charge of Brown's Chapel, Christian Union; preached about 60 sermons; number of conversions, 52; received 38 into fellowship of the church.

J. S. LAWRENCE.

"I had no charge; preached at a number of points; gave some lectures on the Sabbath school work; married one couple."

S. H. WAY.

"I had charge of Shady Grove and Pleasant Ridge, married several couples; preached several funerals."

W. W. HAYWORTH.

"I had charge of pleasant Grove, Shiloh, Mt. Union, and Spoon's Chapel; preached regularly to the churches; held a protracted meeting with each one; preached 3 funerals; baptized 7; number of conversions, 48; assisted

in three other meetings."

E. H. JARRELL.

"I have attended and assisted in four protracted meetings; attended Sabbath school, preached at other points occasionally."

H. T. MOFFITT.

"I had charge of four churches and held three protracted meetings; 39 conversions; received 28 into the fellowship of the church; baptized 4 infants and 8 adults; witnessed the conversion of 126 souls; conducted two burial services and preached 6 funerals; traveled in behalf of the work 978 miles; received $49.87."

JAS. A. WEBSTER.

"I have filled all my appointments, discharging the duty of a pastor, aided in three protracted meetings; conducted a protracted meeting at Patton's Grove of near two weeks, which resulted in 43 conversions and 32 additions to the Christian church,

The Lord has blessed the church here with spiritual prosperity. It is is out of debt and in good working condition. Baptized 14; married one couple; received $15.25."

W. B. RICHARDSON.

"I had charge of Big Oak, Pleasant Cross, St. John's at Randleman; held a protracted meeting at each place; preached about 70 sermons; received 21 into the church; baptized 21; preached 5 funerals; spent about 100 days in the actual service of the church; traveled 1200 miles to fill my appointments; received $47.48 from the churches and $40 donated by Conference to the Randleman Mission."

H. A. ALBRIGHT.

The President announced the standing Committees as follows:

Executive: Revs. H. A. Albright, J. S. Lawrence, H. T. Moffitt, and W. W. Hayworth. Report 1st day, 2 p. m.

Foreign Missions: Rev. W. B. Richardson, Bro. Jas.

A. Barker, and Rev. W. W. Lawrence. Report second day, 10 a. m.

Sunday schools: Bros. L. E. Brady, B. F. Kern, and Rev. S. H. Way. Report second day, 11 a. m.

Temperance: Bro. E. A. Moffitt, J. R. Comer, and Rev. J. A. Webster. Report second day, 2 p. m.

Home Missions: Revs. J. R. Parks, B. F. Kern, and H. T. Moffitt. Report third day, 10 a. m.

Religious Literature: Revs. W. R. Brown, W. W. Lawrence, E. H. Jarrell. Report third day, 1 p. m.

Education: Revs. H. A. Albright, J. W. Patton, J. S. Lawrence, and W. W. Hayworth. Report third day, 2 p. m.

The churches are supplied as follows:

Big Oak Brown's Chapel and Christian: Rev. J. S. Lawrence.

Shiloh, Spoon's Chapel, Mt. Union, Pleasant Grove. Rev. E. H. Jarrell.

Union Grove, Pleasant Ridge, Park X Roads, and Smithwood: Rev. J. W. Patton.

Patterson's Grove, Macedonia, and Pleasant Union: Rev. J. A. Webster.

Antioch, Pleasant Cross, and St. John's: Rev. H. A. Albright.

Staley's: Rev. W. B. Richardson.

New Center: Rev. J. R. Comer.

Shady Grove: Rev. W. W. Hayworth.

On motion of Rev. J. W. Patton Conference adjourned to meet with the church at Park's Cross Roads on Thursday 12 m. before the second Sabbath in November, 1893.

Closing prayer by Rev. J. W. Patton.

Benediction by the President.

W. W. HAYWORTH, President.
J. R. PARKS, Vice President.

J. N. CAGLE, Secretary,
H. A. ALBRIGHT, Asst. Sec.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches	Pastors	No. Reported Last Session	Received Since	Died	Expelled	Removed	Withdrawn	Present Membership	No. of Sunday Schools	No. Officers and Teachers	No. of Pupils	Amount Paid Pastor	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Other Purposes	Total Amount	Value of Church Property
Spoon's Chapel	E H Jarrell	7	7					14	1	4	30	16 75	1 00			17 75	40
Pleasant Cross	H A Albright	36		1			1	34	1	4	25	15 10	70	75		16 55	300
Pleasant Union	J A Webster	11	22					33	1	7	35	25 00				25 00	
St. John's	H A Albright	13	3				4	12	1	6	150	50 00				50 00	200
Pleasant Grove	E H Jarrell	215	3	3			3	212	1	6	45	54 90		1 03	4 95	60 88	800
Parks X Roads	J W Patton	102	6	1	1		3	103	1	5	50	90 00		3 00	10 00	103 00	1000
Brown's Chapel	J S Lawrence	83	38		4		1	116	1	5	128	25 00	2 00		12 00	39 00	310
Macedonia	J A Webster	28						28	1	4	25	14 69				14 69	150
Pleasant Ridge	W W Hayworth	126	3	3		1		125	1	4	25	30 00	1 05	75		31 80	800
Shady Grove	W W Hayworth	85		2			1	82	1	5	42	37 20	2 00	1 36	200 00	240 56	200
Mt. Union	E H Jarrell	59	10		1		1	58	1	9	103	34 15				34 15	100
Smithwood	J W Patton	67	5	1	1			70	1	6	76	50 00			31 75	81 75	500
Shiloh	E H Jarrell	156		1			1	154	1	5	25	40 40	3 13	3 62		47 15	600
Christian Union	J S Lawrence	46						46									200
Patterson's Grove	W B Richardson	24	32	1				55	1	8	110	15 25	65		17 00	32 90	500
Union Grove	J W Patton	93		2			3	88				50 00		2 70		52 70	1000
Big Oak	H A Albright	71	18	1	3			85				30 00	2 00	1 71		33 71	500
New Center	J A Webster	94		2				92	1	7	35	11 25	1 80			13 00	400
Antioch	J A Webster	25	6					31	1	5	30	10 18		1 55	8 55	20 28	200
New Bear Creek																	
Staley's	J W Patton																200
Grand Total.....		1332	153	18	10	1	18	1438	16	90	935	599 87	14 33	16 49	284 25	914 69	8000

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

NORTH CAROLINA AND VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE,

IN ITS.

SIXTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION.

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WAKE CHAPEL CHRISTIAN CHURCH,
Wake Co., N. C., Nov. 22, 1892.

The North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference met today in its Sixty-Seventh Annual Session with the church at Wake Chapel.

Rev. P. H. Fleming president of last session called the body to order. Opening hymn 105 Triumphant Songs, Religious exercises conducted by Rev. J. W. Wellons, reading 95th Psalm followed by prayer.

The Secretary called the roll of ministers with the following responses:

Elders: W. G. Clements, P. H. Fleming, J. L. Foster, J. W. Hatch, W. T. Herndon, J. W. Holt, J. A. Jones, P. T. Klapp, S. B. Klapp, W. S. Long, J. W. Pinnix, C. C. Peel, W. H. Roach, T. W. Strowd, G. R. Underwood, J. W. Wellons, J. A. Whiteman, J. D. Wicker, M. L. Winston D. R. Yarborough, L. W. Mangum.

Licentiates: A. P. Barbee, J. W. Fuquay, H. L. Hines, C. H. Rowland, W. C. Wicker, J. W. Parker.

ROLL OF CHURCHES AND DELEGATES.

Antioch, (C); Antioch (W), W. w. Rainy; Apples Chapel, Joseph Brown; Auburn, J. E. Langston; Amelia, J. E. Austin; Big Falls; Bethlehem, c. M. Pritchard, H. V. Simpson; Beulah, J. B. Edwards, J. T. Haggood; Burlington, H. W. Trollinger; Bethany, W. M. Johnson, J. S. Carden; Catawba Springs, c. H. Stevenson; Christian Chapel, R. C. Rollins, A. C. Davis, J. C. Davis; Concord; Center Grove, T. J. Bland, T. E. White; Christian Light, A. S. Arnold; Clover Orchard; Damascus, M. J. W. McCauley, I. W. Pritchard; Durham; Ebenezar, M. D. Byrum, C. C. Cooper; Egypt, Katie Gunter; Elon Church, S. A. Holleman, W. S. Long, Jr.; Grace's Chapel, J. M. Johnson, J. H. Phillips; Goshen Chapel; Graham; Good Hope; Hank's Chapel; Happy Home, J. W. Foster; Hayes Chapel, J. A. S. Holder; Hebron, L. H. Yancy; Hines Chapel, L. M. Waynick, Z. T. Melvin; Howard's Chapel, W. B. Madison; High Point, Miss M. E. Silmond, Julia Newby; Keyser, J. A. Mills; Kallum Grove, W. A. Williams; Lebanon; Liberty (V), T. w. Lassiter, O. W. Asycue; Liberty (R); Long's Chapel, H. C. King, J. A. Allen; Mt. Auburn, T. J. Haskins; Mt. Bethel, D. I. Cummings; Mt. Carmel, J. T. Usry; Mt. Hermon; Mt, Zion, J. E. King; Mt Pleasant Martha's Chapel, H. Mulholland, Allius Stone; Moore Union, A. C. Yarborough; Mt. Vernon; Morrisville, J H. Moring, John Pugh; New Elam, J. L. Womble, J. C Davis; New Hope, W. R. Rodgers, Mrs. W. E. Rodgers New Hill, D. S. O'Daniels, Joel Gardiner; New Provi dence, W. M. Andrews, N. B. Nelson; O'Kelley' Chapel, C. S. Holleman, A. M. Parish; Oak Level, Josep Pierce, Willie Hudson; Piney Plaines, J. R. Prince Pleasant Grove, (Va.) R. D. Thompson; Pleasant Hil (C), S. T. Pike; Pleasant Union; Pleastant Hill (J), J. H Neighbors; Pleasant Ridge; Pope's Chapel, A. L. Alle J. W. House; Popular Branch, B. F. Hunt; Plymouth, W. Roads; Pleasant Grove, (J); Palmyra; Raleigh, Moring; Spilona, Dr. D. B. Lassiter; Shallow Ford,

D. Cobb; Shallow Well; Salem Chapel; Sage Garden; Turner's Chapel, T. M. Johnson, W. G. Wicker; Union, Va.; Union N. C., E. W. Wilkins. J. A. Graham; Wake Chapel, S. A. Austin, M. C. Utley; Walnut Grove, Miss Eunice Winston; Winder; Youngsville, W. T. Young, Dr. P. R. Hatch; Zion, W. D Buchanan, W. J. Johnson; Ingram; Bethel; Lexington, A. D. Lenard.

The roll having been completed the president announced a quorum, and declared Conference ready for organization

President designates proper seats for members of Conference.

On motion by acclamation, the present chairman, Rev. P. H. Fleming, was re-elected for the ensuing year. Rev. W. C. Wicker was elected assistant Secretary.

Revs. E. Pope of the M. E. Church, C. W. Blanchard of the Missionary Baptist church, and Dr. J. P. Barrett from the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference as Fraternal Messenger, were invited to seats as deliberative members of this body. Bro. Pope responded in hearty good wishes, Bro. Blanchard extended a welcome to all of us (he being a citizen of the community), Dr. Barrett presented the Fraternal greetings of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

The time having arrived for the Annual Address. Rev. P. H. Fleming proceeded to deliver the same, the subject, "The Christian" Church, based on Acts 11–26.

At 1. P. M. Conference adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION. 2 P. M.

President Fleming in the chair.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved: That a committee of one be appointed to receive all money paid for the Annuals.—W. S. Long.

Prof. J. H. Moring was appointed the above committee.

Revs. H. W. Norris and J. R. Spence of the Missionary Baptist church and W. J. Laine of the E. Va. C. C. were invited to seats as deliberative members.

Resolved: That this body meet each day at 9 A. M.

Spend twenty minutes in devotional exercises, adjourn at 1 P. M. for dinner, meet at 2 P. M. and adjourn at will.—W. S. Long.

The above resolution after discussion was adopted.

Whereas, The Missionary Association which was organized last May by consent of the General Convention desires to lay its work and plans before this body.

Therefore, Resolved, That from 12 to 1 o'clock Wednesday be granted to the representatives of the Association for this purpose.—P. T. Klapp.

On motion the request was granted and the above paper made special order.

The chair appointed the following to fill vacancies on the standing committees: Home Missions—H. Mulholland; Foreign Missions—C. C. Peel; Education—P. T. Klapp; Temperance—T. W. Strowd, A. P. Barbee; Church Extension—W. C. Wicker, A. L. Allen.

Partial report of committee on Home Missions was submitted and made special order for Wednesday at 11 A. M.

Ministerial reports were called for and read.

A new church, Antioch, in Warren Co., N. C., was received and W. W. Rainy enrolled as delegate.

Church letters were called for, handed in to the Secretary.

Rev. W. S. Long conducted religious exercises. Adjournment.

SECOND DAY.

Nov. 23, 1892.

Religious exercises conducted by Rev. J. W. Pinnix, reading 90th Psalm, followed with prayer, Conference called to order at 9:40 by president Fleming.

The roll was called and a quorum found present. The minutes of first day read and approved.

The following were enrolled: Rev. T. B. Dawson, Dr. P. R. Hatch, J. C. Davis, S. T. Pike, B. F. Hunt, J. M. Johnson, J. H. Phillips, J. W. Foster, W. A. Williams and J. S. Carden.

Additional ministerial reports were called for and read.

A petition for admission into the conference from the new church at Goshen chapel, Granville Co., N. c., was presented.

On motion the petition was granted. A petition was presented for admission of the new church at Piney Plaines into this conference.

On motion the church was received with J. R. Prince as delegate.

A petition from the Raleigh church to the American christian convention asking aid was presented to this conference for endorsement. On motion the endorsement was ordered by conference.

A petition from Mt. Vernon christian church in Alamance co., was presented for admission into this conference. On motion the petition was granted.

A petition from Lexington christian church for membership into this conference was granted and A. D. Lenard enrolled as delegate.

On motion a committee on finance was appointed as follows: T. J. Haskins, M. L. Winston, and S. A. Holleman. The Secretary presented an account of $7.40 for postage, stationary and blank reports.

On motion the account was referred to the committee on finance.

THE REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We, the Executive Committee beg leave to submit the following report: We have transacted the following business during the year.

First. Appointed Rev. J. D. Wicker to look after the District Meetings in District, No. 3.

Second. We ordered Rev. J. W. Hatch, treasurer of the N. C. and Va. Christian Conference to pay Rev. J. D. Wicker $150.00 out of the contingent fund, and also borrowed $100.00 from Rev. J. W. Holt giving him a note on Conference for the same. These two amounts were placed in the hands of Rev. J. D. Wicker and J. W. Holt and they were requested to use the same in paying off a mortgage of $242.16 which was on the house of worship and lot of the Christian church at High Point, N. C., which they did. The expenses of these brethren were to be paid. J. D. Wicker's expenses being $7.15 leaving a balance on hand of $0.69.

Third. We gave Rev. E. T. Iseley a letter of transfer to the Virginia Valley Christian Conference and Rev. J. W. Patton one to the Deep River Christian Conference.

J. W. WELLONS,
W. G. CLEMENTS,
J. D. WICKER,
Com.

After discussion the report was adopted.

The special order for 11 A. M. was called for and the report of the committee on Home Missions, upon which the special order was made, was read and discussion opened by Rev. J. w. Holt, and continued by others till special order at 12 m. The report pending, and the special order for the presentation and claims of the Missionary Association was called and discussion opened by Rev. J. P. Barrett followed by others. Quite a number of members were received into the Association.

On motion time was extended 15 minutes and a collection was taken for the incidental expenses of the Missionary Association amounting to $7.07.

conference adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 2:00 P. M. President in the chair.

The report on Home Missions which was suspended at 12 m for special order was called. The discussion continued by Rev. w. G. clements in favor of Durham church. Replied to by Revs. J. w. Holt and c. c Peel.

By motion all speeches were limited to 10 minutes.

On motion the report was considered by items and finally adopted as a whole as follows.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

The work at Burlington seems to be progressing fairly well under the charge of Rev. C. C. Peel. We favor the giving of some additional help at this point.

Revs. W. G. Clements and C. C. Peel have jointly had charge of Durham. We advise an appropriation for this point.

Ingram, Va., does not ask for any help.

Raleigh seems to be gaining slowly. Additional help might, we think, be extended to this point.

Beulah does not ask for additional assistance.

No reports have been received by this committee of any work done at Amelia. We advise that the amount appropriated to this point be retained in the Treasury.

We attempted to arrange for the supply of Mt. Pisgah, as directed by this body last Conference, but failed except during the past summer, Rev. S. Apple preached there.

We recommend that Hight Point be asked to raise $100.00 of the amount advanced from Mission Fund to clear it of indebtedness

Walnut Cove, N. C., is an inviting point to us, and we are inclined to favor some assistance there.

Center Grove asks for a small amount to secure a pastor. We favor giving it.

Goshen Chapel and Antioch (W) each asks for $50.00 to pay their pastors. We do not favor it. We are not sufficiently informed in regard to these points to warrant us in making any recommendations. The above item amended as follows:

Resolved: That the committee on Home Missions give something as soon as the matter of title is settled —W. S. Long.

We recommend that all appropriations for mission work, be made upon the same conditions as last year.

Winder seems to be declining, and we advise that conference take steps to secure whatever interests it may have at that point. On motion the following amendment was added:—That Rev. G. R. Underwood be instructed to visit Winder, and look after the church there, and report to committee on Home Missions.

We advise that no new church be organized by any minister at new or mission points without consulting the committee on Home Missions and obtaining their consent.

We are fully satisfied that Home Missions offer the most promising field for the advancement of our cause, and with more means and prudent management of the work in this field the success of our cause is assured.

A number of other points ask for assistance, but unsatisfactory titles to property, and other things do not warrant us in recommending appropriation.

We recommend the payment of the money borrowee to clear the endebtedness of High Point church with interest by borrowing a sufficient amount from the Home Mission Fund.

J. W. HOLT,
J. D. WICKER,
H. MULHOLLAND.
Com.

The above committee recommend the assessments for Home Missions found in The Statistical Table of Assessments for 1892–93. A collection amounting to $4.50 was taken for Home Missions.

THIRD DAY,

Nov, 24, 1892.

9:45 A. M. conference called to order by president Fleming. Devotional exercises by Rev. J. W. Holt. The president read 67 Psalm followed with remarks in observance of "Thanks Giving Day." Prayer by T. J. Haskins.

Roll called, minutes read and approved

The following were enrolled as delegates; J. M. Banks. J. A. Mills, Mrs. E. J. Lassiter, J. L. Banks, charlie Johnson, T. H. Prince, L. H. Yancey and Rev. P. T. way. The Treasurer's report was presented and on motion referred to committee on Finance.

A petition from Graham christian church, asking for admission, was presented and on motion it was admitted.

Resolved; That a committee consisting of Revs. W. S. Long, W. G. Clements and W. T. Herndon be appointed to consider and report the best methods for supplying weak and neglected churches with preaching.—J. W. wellons.

Adopted.

On motion all assessments for 1892–93 were ordered tabulated in the Annual.

On motion it was ordered that 1000 copies of the Annual Address be published in pamphlet form and that conference raise $25.00 to pay for publishing the same. The following committee were appointed to collect the amount: C. S. Holleman, A. L. Allen and J. W. Pinnix.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

The Sabbath school is the child of the church. Therefore we would urge all church members to take more interest and do more work in the Sabbath school.—We recommend:

1st. The use of our own literature.

2nd. That each school have entertainments such as "Children's day" to interest the children and in some way raise money to purchase a library, that each school may have the best library possible, and also to aid in carrying the gospel into destitute places.

3rd. That a school of music be established for a term of two weeks at Elon College during the summer with a suitable teaching force, and that each Sunday school in this conference pay the expenses of one of its members who shall teach music on his returns to his Sunday school free of charge for one week.

4th. We urge all ministers to attend and take more interest in the Sunday school Convention.

T. W. STROWD,
J. H. MORING,
S. B. KLAPP,
Com.

Report adopted as a whole.

The following account was allowed: The N. C. and Va. Christian Conference Dr. to Rev. J. W. Holt R. R. expenses to High Point and return $1.50.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We have examined the accounts of Rev. J. W. Hatch, Treasurer of this Conference and found them correct, with proper vouchers for moneys paid out.

The committee on "The Susan Phillip's Estate" made no report to us.

We have examined the account of $7.40 due J. L. Foster, Secretary, and recommend its payment.

T. J. HASKINS,
M. L. WINSTON,
S. A. HOLLEMAN,
Com.

The report was adopted.

On motion conference ordered Rev. J. L. Foster, Secretary to purchase a Record Book for the use of this conference, and to draw an order on the Treasurer to pay for the same.

The following account was allowed: The N. c. and Va. christian conference Dr. to clements and Mood for 300 HOME MISSION blanks $1.00.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We your Committee on Religious Literature submit the following report:

No department of church work opens up a broader field for usefulness than Religious Literature. The printing press is one of the most potent means of advancing the cause of Truth Its influence is coextensive with civilization. When wielded on the side of Truth, it becomes a powerful agent of the church.

Recognizing that the Literature read exercises an influence in moulding and shaping the mind, we recommend that parents carefully select the Literature their children read.—We recommend.

1. That we endorse with a liberal support the CHRISTIAN SUN, our church organ, a determined effort should be made both here and in the various pastorates to secure a more extensive reading of our church paper.

2. We also most heartily endorse the Herald of Gospel Liberty, recommend that those of our people who are able to take two religious papers, subscribe for the Herald.

3. We further recommend that our people read "Facing the Truth" by Dr. J. P. Barrett, "The Five Cardinal Principles Defined" by Rev. M. L. Hurley, "Life and Labors of Dr. Wellons" by Rev. J. W. Wellons, and "Wellons Prayer Book," by Rev. J. W. Wellons.

4. We recommend the works of Prof. Henry Drummond and H. C. Trumbull as instructive and inspiring in religious thought.

According to instructions received last Conference we have arranged the following course of reading for the benefit of those who have been ordained, and still feel the need of further improvement.

First a critical and systematic study of the Bible and of the Doctrine and Principles of the Christian church; "Practical Rhetoric" (Clark J. Scott), "Life and words of Christ" (Dr. C. Geikie), "Robinson's English Harmony of the Gospel," "Manual of Christian Evidences" (Fisher), "Preparation and Delivery of sermons" Broadus, "The Christ of History" Young, "The Preacher and his Model" Stalker, "Christian Sociology" Stuckenburg, "Plato and Paul" Mendenhall.

J. L. FOSTER,
W G. CLEMENTS,
C. C. PEEL,
Com.

Report adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

J. W. HATCH, Treasurer, in account with the
North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference.

HOME MISSION FUND.

1891.			
Nov. 16.	To Balance on hand - - - - - - - -		$72.31
Nov. 21.	" Collections at Conference - - - - - -		463.37
Nov. 21.	By commissions on collections 1½ per cent - -	$7.03	
1891.			
Nov. 17.	By cash paid Rev. C. C. Peel Order No. 55 - - -	18.75	
1892.			
Feb. 17.	" " " " " " " No. 69 - -	25.00	
Feb. 17.	" " " " " " " No. 70 - -	15.00	
May 17.	" " " " " " " No. 76 - -	25.00	
Aug. 25.	" " " " " " " No. 78 - -	25.00	
Aug. 25.	" " " " " " " No. 79 - -	15.00	
1891.			
Nov. 17.	" " " Rev. J. L. Foster " No. 54 - -	25.00	
1892.			
Feb. 15.	" " " " " " " No. 67 - -	37.50	
May 17.	" " " " " " " No. 73 - -	37.50	
Aug. 25.	" " " " " " " No. 80 - -	37.50	
Mar. 2.	" " " Rev. P. T. Klapp " No. 71 - -	5.00	
May 17.	" " " " " " " No. 74 - -	5.00	
Aug. 26.	" " " " " " " No. 82 - -	5.00	
Feb. 17.	" " " Rev. S. B. Klapp " No. 68 - -	6.25	
June 3.	" " " " " " " No. 77 - -	6.25	
Aug. 26.	" " " " " " " No. 81 - -	6.25	
1891.			
Nov. 17.	" " " Rev. W. G. Clements " No. 56 - -	25.00	
1892.			
May. 17.	" " " " " " " No. 75 - -	15.00	
1891.			
Nov. 19.	" " " Rev. J. W. Holt " No. 57 - -	20.00	
1892.			
Nov. 19.	" commissions on 19 above orders, $355.00 at 1½ per cent - - - - - - - - -	5.32	
	By Balance on hand - - - - - - - - - -	173.33	
		$540.68	$540.68

FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

1891.			
Nov. 16.	To Balance on hand last report - - - - -		22.02
Nov. 16.	Collected at Conference - - - - - - -		321.92
Nov. 16.	By Commission on $321 92 at 1½ per cent - -	4.83	
1891.			
Nov. 20.	" Cash paid A. Moring Tre. General Convention Order No. 67 - -	303.00	
Nov. 20.	" Commission on above Orders $303 at 1½ per cent	4.54	
1892.			
Nov. 20.	" Cash on hand - - - - - - - - - -	31.57	
		$343.94	$343.94

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

1891.			
Nov. 16.	To Balance on hand - - - - - - - - - -		2.89
Nov. 16.	" Collection at Conference - - - - - -		114.83
Nov. 16	Commissions on $114.83 at 1½ per cent - - -	1.72	
1891.			
Dec. 18.	By Note on D. M. Williams without interest for -	25 00	
1892.			
June 2.	" " " W. C. Wicker without interest -	50.00	
June 2.	" Commissions on above notes $75 at 1½ per cent -	1.13	
Nov. 2.	" Balance on hand - - - - - - - - -	39.87	
		$117.72	$117.72

CHURCH EXTENSION FUND.

1891.			
Nov.	To Cash collected at conference - - - - - -		112.08
Nov.	By Commissions on $112.08 at 1½ per cent - - -	1.68	
1891.			
Nov. 20.	" Cash paid J. H. Knight Order No. 58 - - -	20.00	
Nov. 20.	" " " T. A. S. Boyd No. 59 - - -	30.00	
Dec. 10.	" " " Order of Liberty Church No. 65 -	50.00	
Dec. 10.	" Commissions on the the above order $100 at 1½ per cent	1.50	
Nov. 16.	" Balance due me from last year - - - -	14.03	
1892			
To Balance	- - - - - - - - - - - - - -		5.13
		$117.21	$117.21
By Balance due Treasurer	- - - - - - - - -	$5 13	

CONTINGENT FUND.

1891.			
Nov. 16.	To Balance on hand at last report - - - - -		125.32
Nov. 16.	" Collections at Conference and since - - -		68.53
Nov. 16.	By commissions on $68.53 at 1½ per cent - -	1.03	
1891.			
Nov. 20.	" Cash paid Rev. J. L. Foster Order No. 60 - -	25.00	
Nov. 20.	" " " " J. D. Wicker " No. 61 - -	2.00	
1892.			
Jan. 4.	" " " " " " " " No. 66 - -	150.00	
1890.			
Nov. 20.	" " " " W. G. Clements " No. 62 - -	3.00	
1892.			
April 20.	" " " " " " " " No. 72 - -	24.26	
1891.			
Nov. 20.	" " " " S. B. Klapp " No. 63 - -	1.00	
1892.			
Nov.	" Commission on 6 Orders $205.36 at 1½ per cent -	3.08	
To Balance	- - - - - - - - - - - -		15.62
		$209.47	$209.47
By Balance due Treasurer	- - - - - - - - -	$15.62	

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. HATCH.
Treasurer N. C. and Va. Conference

MINISTERIAL REPORT.

Preachers	No churches.	No. sermons	No. lectures	No. prayer meetings	No. conversions in charge	No. pastoral visits	No. funerals	No. marriages	Amount of salary
S B Klapp	5	206		50	253	200	10	4	
J A Jones	4	150	10	40	136	75	14	2	156 00
T B Dawson	3	50	2	10	60		4	6	138 50
W G Clements	3	100	3		16	150	2	2	275 00
J W Fonville									
C A Boone	2	45	10	17	13		7	3	50 00
W C Wicker		100	40	50	4	200	3		350 00
A F Iseley	4	70	3		36		11	1	220 00
J L Foster	2	142		43	20	221	2	10	581 99
G R Underwood	5	145	10	20	55		8	4	300 00
J D Wicker	5	157	25	30	84	20	5	3	450 66
Sol Apple									
H L Hines	1	35	3		9	36			32 00
T W Strowd	1	43	1	7	14	30		6	52 00
J U Newman		16	45				2		
L W Mangum	1	84	11	15	16		5	12	35 00
J W Wellons	4				67				257 00
J W Hatch	1	40	10	1	8	24	5		50 00
J W Fuquay	2	125	40	5	22		1		20 00
W S Long	1	54	22	40	20		2	1	20 50
J W Pinnix		30	5				10	4	
P H Fleming	4	97	2		72	328	16	2	600 00
W T Herndon	1	75	100		103	75	3	2	125 00
W H Roach	3	71					8	8	175 00
C C Peel	2	126	15	40	12	750	6	4	420 00
P T Klapp	4	103	3	25	87	400	3	1	719 50
J W Holt	4	108	25	28	50	175	5	1	351 00
R G Tinin		6	6	7				6	
J W Parker	3	130	10	103	58	159	5		68 21
W J Laine	2	39			7		1		41 30
J A Whiteman		76					1	1	
A P Barbee		22		5					8 00
D R Yarbrough		20		5			2		
M L Winston									
P w Allen									
A G Anderson									
J N Farrell									
H C Fulton									
P T Way									
D F Jones									
J O Atkinson									
C H Rowland	3	59			20				79 19

On motion conference adjourned 45 minutes for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 P. M. conference called to order.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Any church that is not a temperance church is not in a good, healthy concondition. Temperance means total abstinence in all that is evil and moderation in all that is good. Resolved:

1st. That it is wrong to build churches to teach men the way of life, and at the same time license shops to lead them into the way of death. 2nd. That it is wrong to license a man to sell that which will make a man drunk, and then punish the man for being drunk. 3rd. That it is wrong to license shops to make paupers and then to tax sober men to take care of them. 4th. That it is wrong to license a saloon to teach vice and then tax people for schools to teach virture. 5th. That it is wrong to derive revenue from a traffic which means the sacrifice of men's lives. 6th. That it is wrong to teach your boy not to drink, and then to vote to license a place where he may be taught to drink. 7th. It is wrong to preach justice and charity and take care of your own boy and then vote to license a place to ruin your neighbor's boy, and rob poor women, children, and orphans of food, clothing, and shelter. 8th. That it is wrong to teach honesty, and virtue, and then vote to license a place where he may be taught to gamble, and gratify the worst inflamed passions.

T. W. STROWD,
J. A. JONES,
A. P. BARBER,
Com.

After full discussion the report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Elon College, the institution under our immediate supervision in the South is now in a prosperous condition. Its history, though brief, is full of trial and sacrifice, hope and faith in God. No College in our country has ever sprang into life and shown such vigor in so short a period under circumstances so adverse and forbidding. Projected at a time of great financial stringency, opposed by some, and encouraged with hesitation by others, every step of its progress has been contested and won to the joy of its friends and stands a marvel in the eyes of all. The Lord has blessed the work from the beginning and its future is full of promise.

The buildings are substantial and nearly complete. The Faculty consists of twelve members, and the student body of one hundred and twenty-five young men and women. The area of patronge is widening and the institution is growing in puplic favor. New inspiration has been imparted to all other activities in our denomination, and new zeal shown in pushing them forward. We direct attention to the fact that intellectual training and religious culture are led along hand in hand, and, perhaps, no institution excels in this particular. There are fourteen young men in the college preparing to enter the ministry. Three of them from this conference. The College makes an appeal to every lover and to every friend of the Christian church. It needs your prayers, your influence, your patronage, and your money. By one united effort, we can easily complete every part of the work begun, equip every department and double the patronage of the college. We have made an assessment for the education of young preachers. Your committee will follow the course of study adopted by the last session of the General Convention, with all applicants for examination to enter the ministry. We recommend The Correspondence College to those now in the ministry as an excellent means of improvement.

We have examined J. S. Carden, Medencust Byrum, Simpson Barbee, C. C. Williams, and Mary Ellen Sillman, applicants for license, and recommend that license be granted Bros. Williams and Carden. Bros. H. L. Hines, J. W. Parker, A. P. Barbee, J. W. Fuquay, and W. C. Wicker have been before us for ordination. It is recommended that W. C. Wicker be ordained at this Conference, and that the other brethren be advised to pursue their studies further. We would call the attention of the Conference to the importance of establishing an Orphanage in this state at an early day, and advise that a committee of three be appointed to consider this matter, confer with the Deep River conference, and report to the body.

W. S. LONG,
W. T. HERNDON,
J. W. WELLON,
P. T. KLAPP,
Com

The above committee recommend the assessments for Education as found in The Statistical Table of assessments for 1892–93.

The above report adopted.

On motion Foreign Missions made special order for Friday 10 A. M.

Moved that a committee of three be appointed to suggest lines for the division of the territory of this conference and to publish their report in "The CHRISTIAN SUN" three months before the next annual session of this body, and to report the same to the next annual session of this body for ratification that a memorial in regard thereto may be made to the next session of the General Convention.—J. W. Holt.

Carried.

Committee on the above resolutions, J. W. Holt, J. W. Wellons, and W. G. Clements.

Report of Special Committee on supply of weak churches made special order Friday 11 A. M.

On motion a committee on Memoirs as follows was appointed. W. C. Wicker, J. A. Jones, and J. W. Wellons.

Benediction by Rev. J. W. Hatch. Adjourned.

FOURTH DAY.

Nov. 25, 1892.

The Secretary called the body to order (the President not having arrived) at 9:50 A. M.

Devotional exercises by Rev. S. B Klapp.

Minutes read and approved. The President arrived.

The chair appointed the following Ordaining Presbytery: W. S. Long, J. W. Wellons, W. G. Clement, J. P. Barrett.

Moved and carried—That a committee of three be appointed by the chair to arrange for summer school of music to be held without cost to this body,—J. H. Moring.

The following were appointed on the above named committee: S. A. Holleman, J. L. Foster, W. C. Wicker.

On motion 12:45 P. M. today was set apart for Ordination, and Lincensure of candidates.

FINAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

We recommend the appropriation of $50.00 to help sustain Rev. C. C. Peel in charge of the work at Burlington N. C.

We recommend the appropriation of $150.00 to help sustain Rev. J. L. Foster in charge of the work at Raleigh N. C.

We recommend the appropriation of $100.00 to help sustain Rev. J. W. Wellons in charge of the work at Durham N. C.

We recommend the appriation of $50.00 to help sustain Rev. G. R. Underwood at Centre Grove.

We recommend the appropriation of $15.00 to help sustain the work at Walnut Cove N. C. Rev. J. W. Holt in charge there.

We recommend the appropriation of $15.00 to help sustain Rev. P. T. Way at Keyser N. C.

We recommend the appropriation of $25.00 to Goshen Chapel, Granville Co. N. C. and $25.00 to Antioch Warren Co. N. C. upon condition that the titles to the property at these points be made direct to the N. C. and Va. Christian conference, Rev. S. B Klapp is to have charge at these two points.

We recommend that all amounts appropriated under recommendations of this committee less than $25.00 be payed semi-annually, the others quarterly, but quarterly reports of the work to be made from all points receiving help.

We recommend that an over plus of $25.00 be retained in the treasury and if any further over plus that it be devided equally between Raleigh, Durham and Burlington.

We recommend churches where we have invested funds to build houses, wholly or in part, make no arrangement for pastoral supply from year to year without confering with Conference through this committee.

Several brethren have asked for help for work done at various points during the past year but we have no funds to enable us to appropriate anything to them.

J. W. HOLT.
J. D. WICKER.

The following amendment was offered.

Moved that $35 from the appropriation at Walnut Cove, and that $100 from the the first Home Mission money taken in at next Conference be appropriated to Durham on pastors salary for this conference year.—W. S. Long.

The following amendment to the amendment was offered.

Moved to strike out that part of the amendment taking from the amount named for Walnut Cove.—W. G. Clements.

The amendment to the amendment carried.

The report as amended adopted.

Moved that the Secretary draw orders on the Treasurer for the accounts allowed by this Conference.—J. D. Wicker.

Motion carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

Whereas, death has removed from our conference roll the beloved brethren Revs. D. M. williams, N. B. Honeycutt, and L. C. Madison, who have worked faithfully for the cause of christ; theretor: Resolved 1st. That, in the death of Bro. D. M. williams who was cut down in the morning of life when there seemed to open before him such a useful career, and whose greatest desire was to be a preacher of the Gospel, we have sustained a great loss. Resolved 2nd. That this conforence extend sympathy to his bereaved parents and friends and also to his pastoral charges. Resolved 3rd. That, in the death of Bro N. B. Honeycutt who was taken in the noonday of life from his post of duty to receive his glorious reward, and while his place is vacant in the church Militant it is filled in the church Triumphant, we rejoice in his gain, but mourn in our loss Resolved 4th. That this conference extend sympathy to his bereaved family and friends and also to his pastoral charges. Resolved 5th. That, in the death of Bro. L. c. Madison who in the evening of life lay down his armor to receive a crown of glory for faithful service in his Master's cause, we mourn in our loss, but rejoice in his gain. Resolved 6th. That this Conference extend its tenderest sympathy to all of his loved ones.

W. C. WICKER,
J. W. WELLONS,
J. A. JONES,
Com.

Eulogies on the deceased were pronounced by several of the brethren.

The Conference joined in singing "Mid scenes of confusion" with the chorus "Home sweet home."

The report unanimously adopted.

The hour of special order having arrived 12:45 P. M. the president proceeded to license Bros. J. S. Carden and C. C. Williams.

The Ordaining Presbytery ordained Rev. W. C. Wicker to the office of an Elder in this Conference.

The Secretary announced the standing committees appointed by the chair as follows:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Education: W. S. Long, D. D., J. W. Wellons, W. T. Herndon, J. U. Newman, Ph. D., W. C. Wicker.

Home Missions: J. W. Holt, J. D. Wicker, T. J. Haskins.

Foreign Missions: P. T. Klapp, C. C. Peel, J. Milton Banks.

Temperance: T. W. Strowd, J. A. Mills, W. C. Wicker,

Religious Literature: w. G. Clements, S. A. Holleman, G. R. Underwood.

Sabbath Schools: P. T. way, J. A. Jones, J. H. Moring.

Church Extension: S. B. Klapp, w. H. Roach, J. w. Pinnix.

Executive: J. w. wellons, J. D. wicker, M. L. winston.

Rev. J. w. wellons having lost his ministerial credentials, Conference ordered the same to be renewed. Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The following resolutions were adopted.

Whereas, God's law requires the Sabbath day to be kept holy.

Resolved, 1st. That this Ecclesiastical body condemn the opening of the Worlds Fair on the Sabbath, and the running of Sunday trains, and against which we now, and forever, most emphatically enter our protest.

Resolved, 2nd. That our ministers use their influence against their members attending the Worlds Fair, if opened on the Sabbath, and riding on Sunday trains.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSION.

We your committee, are glad to report that our Japan Mission has been blessed and prospered beyond our expectation; for which we are profoundly thankful to our Heavenly Father.

And furthermore we acknowledge with grateful hearts that God in His infinite goodness has given us three more missionaries, viz: Bro. Woodworth and wife and Miss Penrod who were appointed by the board of the American Christian Convention and endorsed by the Southern Christan Convention and have been sent to the Japan Mission, hence,our responsibilities are increasing and nobody can meet it, not even the angels, but God showed the church that it was responsible when He gave the commission.

We now have nine church organizations, one hundred and seventy-two

church members, sixteen other preaching stations and nine Sunday schools with two hundred and thirty-six connected therewith.

The church must realize that the heathen have a claim upon it; and furthermore, it must realize its responsibility for the heathen. "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

Hence the religion of our Lord Jesus Christ is worthy to be commended to to the whole world, for it is the only religion that frees the soul from spiritual bondage. It lifts man above the ordinary animal and brings him in close relationship with his Maker.

What good will it do to tell our brother who is starving for the bread of life, that we have it, unless we send it to him?

The religion of our Lord Jesus Christ is the only religion that is missionary, and the responsibility of sending it to others rests on God's people; and, Whereas, The prosperity of the Foreign Missionary work depends upon the liberality of the church in giving of its means to support and carry on said work in Foreign lands, be it Resolved, 1st. That this Conference require each of its preachers having charge of church work to make special effort to show each congregation its responsibility respecting said work, or show reason for failing to do so.

2nd. That preachers employ such of the following plans as may be best adapted to the convenience of their congregations, viz: consecrating the proceeds of a hen, cultivating patches, Children's Day service, or envelope system, etc.

3rd. That we ask the churches to raise not less than the following amounts. (See Statistical table of assessments.)

P. T. KLAPP,
G. R. UNDERWOOD,
C. C. PEEL.

After discussion, and a collection for Foreign Mission, amounting to $9.60, the report was adopted.

Resolved, That this Conference tender this community its hearty appreciation and thanks for the exceeding kindness and hospitality shown the members of this Conference during their stay here.—S. A. Holleman.

Unanimously adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

Your committee on the Annual Address beg leave to report.

That we have made an earnest canvass and have raised $11.30.

We recommend that the money be turned over to Rev. P. H. Fleming with instruction to have printed in pamphlet form as many copies as he can and send them to the parties who have subscribed for the same.

J. W. PINNIX.
A. L. ALLEN.

On motion the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH EXTENSION.

We your committee recommend that $100 of the church Extension fund on hand be appropriated to pay, in part, the amount borrowed from Home Mission fund on account of High Point church.

We recommend further that the churches each pay 5 cents per member for church Extension the ensueing year.

(See Statistical Table of assessments for 1892 and '93.

W. C. WICKER,
W. H. ROACH,
A. L. ALLEN.

Report adopted.

On motion Conference became responsible for the deficit of 200 Annuals ordering the publisher to publish the same, and if he fail to sell them Conference pay the amount.

Whereas the Secretary's office is a laborious one and since our brother, Rev. J. L. Foster, fills it so well, Therefore, Resolved, That he be paid the sum of $25 for his services.—J. A. S. Holder.

Adopted.

Whereas, The one great need of this Conference in all its departements of work, at present, is money, and since it is absolutely necessary to have money for the accomplishment of the work now begun, therefore,

Resolved, 1st. That this Conference do most heartily commend, and sincerely thank each and all churches which have raised the full amount of their assessments for this Conference year; and that we do most cheerfully name them "Banner Churches."

2nd. That this Conference do most earnestly urge that all churches which have not paid their full assessments for 1892 do so for the year 1893, and at the same time we thank them for what they have done.

3rd. That this Conference warmly commend all pastors who have been so persevering, in co-operation with their churches, as to raise all amounts assessed, and we say to them, both church and pastors, "Well done good and faithful servants"; and that this Conference do most earnestly persuade other pastors and churches to go and do likewise.—J. L. Foster.

Adopted.

Moved and carried that Conference meet in its Sixty-Eight Annual session with the church at Shallow Well, Moore Co., N. C., on Tuesday after the third Sunday in November 1893.

On motion, Rev. C. C. Peel was elected to deliver the Annual Address at the next session of this Conference with Rev. W. C. Wicker as alternate.

Moved and carried that the ministers of the N. C. and Va. Christian Conference,be requested to take a collection,both in cash and subscriptions, at their services, at the different churches, on the Sunday nearest Christmas, for the Norfolk Memoral Christian Church and forward the same to Col. Alex. Savage. Norfolk, Va.—W. G. Clements.

Moved and carried that an order be drawn on the Treasurer of the N. C. and Va. Christian Conference for Foreign Missions, in favor of A. Moring, Treasurer of the General Convention, for $320.

Moved that any minister of this body, who in the providence of God, may attend any sister Conference, be requested to bear to that Conference the Fraternal Greetings of this Body.

The motion carried.

TABLE OF ASSESSMENTS FOR 1892-3

Churches	For Home Missions	For Foreign Missions	To Educate Young Ministers	For Church Extension	For Conference Fund
Antioch ( )	5 00	3 00	5 00	3 85	77
Antioch(W)	5 00	2 00	5 00	1 65	33
Apple's Chapel	20 00	8 00	10 00	10 65	2 13
Auburn	6 00	4 00	5 00	2 15	43
Amelia	1 00	1 00	1 00		
Big Falls	3 00	2 00	2 00	1 60	32
Bethel	5 00	4 00	3 00	1 75	35
Bethlehem	35 00	20 00	12 00	16 45	3 29
Beulah	5 00	4 00	3 00	3 85	77
Burlington	8 00	6 00	5 00	3 35	67
Bethany	3 00	2 00	2 00	1 05	21
Catawba Springs	18 00	8 00	5 00	4 20	84
Christian Chapel	15 00	10 00	8 00	10 55	2 11
Concord	5 00	3 00	3 00	2 45	49
Center Grove	4 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	40
Christian Light	5 00	3 00	2 00	2 40	48
Clover Orchard	5 00	3 00	2 00	5 20	1 04
Damascus	17 00	8 00	8 00	5 35	1 07
Durham	5 00	3 00	2 00	2 80	56
Ebenezer	12 00	4 00	7 00	4 90	98

Elon Church	18 00	8 00	5 00	1 80		36
Egypt	3 00	2 00	2 00	1 85		37
Grace's Chapel	5 00	3 00	2 00	4 30		86
Good Hope	7 00	3 00	5 00	3 75		75
Goshen Chapel	5 00	2 00	1 00	1 50		30
Graham	1 00	1 00	1 00			
Happy Home	5 00	5 00	5 00	2 60		52
Hayes' Chapel	8 00	6 00	8 00	6 50	1	30
Hank's Chapel	12 00	10 00	10 00	5 80	1	16
Hebron	10 00	4 00	6 00	4 90		98
Hines' Chapel	15 00	6 00	8 00	9 90	1	98
Howard's Chapel	8 00	4 00	3 00	3 95		79
High Point	5 00	4 00	5 00	2 95		59
Ingram	10 00	8 00	5 00	1 75		35
Keyser	5 00	2 00	5 00	1 20		24
Kallum Grove	5 00	3 00	5 00	2 60		52
Lebanon	12 00	6 00	5 00	6 50	1	30
Liberty (V.)	10 00	10 00	6 00	7 65	1	53
Liberty (R.)	4 00	2 00	3 00	1 60		32
Long's Chapel	15 00	7 00	10 00	5 20	1	04
Lexington	1 00	1 00	4 00	80		16
Mt. Auburn	20 00	12 00	10 00	8 45	1	69
Mt. Bethel	10 00	5 00	4 00	2 75		55
Mt. Carmel	3 00	3 00	3 00	1 75		35
Mt. Hermon	6 00	2 00	3 00	2 60		52
Mt. Zion	6 00	4 00	2 00	3 25		65
Mt. Pleasant	4 00	2 00	2 00	1 85		37
Mt. Vernon	3 00	2 00	1 00	75		15
Martha's Chapel	6 00	6 00	3 00	3 10		62
Moore Union	6 00	4 00	3 00	3 40		68
Morrisville	6 00	3 00	5 00	1 45		29
New Elam	12 00	8 00	6 00	5 85	1	17
New Hope	4 00	4 00	4 00	2 65		53
New Hill	2 00	1 00	3 00	1 40		28
New Providence	25 00	20 00	12 00	11 50	2	30
O'Kelley's Chapel	13 00	10 00	8 00	5 40	1	08
Oak Level	13 00	8 00	6 00	6 55	1	31
Piney Plain	3 00	1 00	1 00	1 45		29
Pleasant Grove (Va)	25 00	20 00	15 00	10 70	2	14
Pleasant Hill(C)	13 00	6 00	6 00	6 15	1	23
Pleasant Union	6 00	4 00	4 00	3 05		61
Pleasant Hill(J)	10 00	4 00	5 00	4 85		97
Pleasant Ridge	5 00	2 00	4 00	3 75		75
Popes Chapel	15 00	6 00	6 00	5 85	1	17
Poplar Branch	5 00	2 00	2 00	1 60		32
Plymouth	8 00	3 00	3 00	3 80		76
Pleasant Grove(J)	1 00	5 00	3 00	80		16
Palmyra	1 00	1 00	1 00			
Raleigh	10 00	5 00	5 00	2 15		43
Spilona	5 00	2 00	2 00	2 85		57
Shallow Ford	8 00	2 00	5 00	6 50	1	30
Shallow Well	15 00	8 00	8 00	4 25		85
Salem Chapel	12 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	1	00
Sage Garden	5 00	2 00	2 00	85		17
Turner's Chapel	5 00	3 00	3 00	2 15		43
Union (Va)	10 00	7 00	5 00	8 85	1	77
Union (N C)	30 00	25 00	12 00	15 45	3	09
Wake Chapel	15 00	8 00	10 00	8 70	1	74
Walnut Grove	4 00	2 50	2 00	1 90		38
Winder	2 00	2 00	1 00			
Youngsville	6 00	5 00	3 00	3 00		60
Zion	10 00	7 00	5 00	8 65	1	73

On motion Conference adjourned to meet with the church at Shallow Well Christian church, Moore County, N. C., on Tuesday after the 3rd Sunday in Nov. 1893.

Prayer by Rev. J. D. Wicker.

Benediction by Rev. C. C. Peel.

JAS. L. FOSTER, Sec., Raleigh, N. C.

P. H. FLEMING, President. Graham, N. C.

W. C. WICKER, Asst. Sec., Elon College, N. C.

FINANCIAL STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches	Amount Promised Pastor	Amount Paid Pastor	Amount Paid for Schools and College	Amount Raised for Other Purposes	Total	Value of Church Property	Total Amount Paid by Sunday Schools
Antioch (C.)	15 00	5 00			[illegible]	[illegible]	2 50
Apple's Chapel	75 00	75 00			92 [illegible]	1200	
Auburn		75 00			[illegible]	[illegible]	
Amelia							
Big Falls							
Bethlehem	125 00	125 00	150 00	146 [illegible]	[illegible]	150[illegible]	33 95
Beulah	75 00	[illegible]			48 58	[illegible]	
Burlington	[illegible]	[illegible]		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
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Christian Chapel	75 00	75 00			[illegible]	[illegible]	1 78
Concord	40 00	[illegible]		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
Center Grove	75 00	[illegible]		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1 60
Christian Light	60 00	[illegible]			[illegible]	[illegible]	
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Damascus	125 00	125 00			[illegible]	[illegible]	5 00
Durham		[illegible]			[illegible]	[illegible]	
Ebenezer	56 00	[illegible]			[illegible]	[illegible]	
Egypt	35 00	[illegible]			[illegible]		
Elon College			1750 00		1769 [illegible]		
[illegible] Chapel		[illegible]			[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Good Hope	[illegible]	[illegible]		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
Hank's Chapel	[illegible]	[illegible]			[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Happy Home	[illegible]	[illegible]			[illegible]	[illegible]	2 00
Hayes' Chapel	[illegible]	[illegible]		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
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Mt. Auburn	[illegible]	[illegible]			[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mt. Bethel	60 00	60 00			[illegible]		2 00
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New Hope	50 00	50 00			[illegible]	[illegible]	3 60
New Hill		[illegible]			[illegible]	[illegible]	
New Providence	225 00	[illegible]		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
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1st Month. JANUARY. 31 Days.

MOON'S PHASES.	DAY.	NEW YORK.	CHICAGO.
New Moon.....	6	10h. 7m. ev.	9h. 7m. ev.
First Quarter.....	14	7h. 9m. ev.	6h. 9m. ev.
Full Moon.....	21	10h. 11m mo.	9h. 11m. mo.
Last Quarter.....	28	11h. 51m. mo.	10h. 51m. mo.

Day of Year.	Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun Rises. H. M.	Sun Sets. H. M.	Moon Rises. H. M.	H. W. N. Y. H. M.
1	1	Monday	7 25	4 44	2 31	3 38
2	2	Tuesday	7 25	4 44	3 35	4 30
3	3	Wednes.	7 25	4 45	4 38	5 23
4	4	Thursd.	7 25	4 46	5 39	6 15
5	5	Friday	7 25	4 47	6 37	7 5
6	6	Saturd'y	7 25	4 48	sets	7 49
7	7	SUN.	7 25	4 49	5 9	8 33
8	8	Monday	7 25	4 50	6 12	9 18
9	9	Tuesday	7 24	4 51	7 16	9 58
10	10	Wednes.	7 24	4 52	8 21	10 35
11	11	Thursd.	7 24	4 53	9 26	11 13
12	12	Friday	7 24	4 54	10 30	11 54
13	13	Saturd'y	7 23	4 55	11 36	0 15
14	14	SUN.	7 23	4 56	morn	1 0
15	15	Monday	7 22	4 58	0 44	1 49
16	16	Tuesday	7 22	4 59	1 58	2 46
17	17	Wednes.	7 21	5 0	3 16	3 51
18	18	Thursd.	7 21	5 1	4 33	4 59
19	19	Friday	7 20	5 2	5 46	6 10
20	20	Saturd'y	7 20	5 3	6 51	7 17
21	21	SUN.	7 19	5 4	rises	8 12
22	22	Monday	7 19	5 6	6 27	9 9
23	23	Tuesday	7 18	5 7	7 46	9 56
24	24	Wednes.	7 17	5 8	8 58	10 39
25	25	Thursd.	7 16	5 9	10 8	11 20
26	26	Friday	7 16	5 10	11 14	——
27	27	Saturd'y	7 15	5 12	morn	0 27
28	28	SUN.	7 14	5 13	0 20	1 13
29	29	Monday	7 13	5 14	1 26	2 3
30	30	Tuesday	7 12	5 15	2 30	2 57
31	31	Wednes.	7 11	5 17	3 33	3 54

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2d Month. FEBRUARY. 28 Days.

MOON'S PHASES.	DAY.	NEW YORK.	CHICAGO.
New Moon.....	5	4h. 45m. ev.	3h. 45m. ev.
First Quarter.....	13	5h. 43m. mo.	4h. 43m. mo.
Full Moon.....	19	9h. 16m. ev.	8h. 16m. ev.
Last Quarter.....	27	7h. 28m. mo.	6h. 28m. mo.

Day of Year.	Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun Rises. H. M.	Sun Sets. H. M.	Moon Rises. H. M.	H. W. N.Y. H. M.
32	1	Thursd.	7 10	5 18	4 31	4 53
33	2	Friday	7 10	5 19	5 24	5 50
34	3	Saturd'y	7 9	5 20	6 10	6 43
35	4	**SUN.**	7 7	5 22	6 48	7 30
36	5	Monday	7 6	5 23	sets	8 10
37	6	Tuesday	7 5	5 24	6 13	8 51
38	7	Wednes.	7 4	5 25	7 18	9 31
39	8	Thursd.	7 3	5 26	8 24	10 7
40	9	Friday	7 2	5 28	9 30	10 41
41	10	Saturd'y	7 1	5 29	10 37	11 19
42	11	**SUN.**	7 0	5 30	11 46	——
43	12	Monday	6 58	5 31	morn	0 27
44	13	Tuesday	6 57	5 32	1 0	1 22
45	14	Wednes.	6 56	5 34	2 16	2 24
46	15	Thursd.	6 54	5 35	3 29	3 36
47	16	Friday	6 53	5 36	4 36	4 52
48	17	Saturd'y	6 52	5 37	5 32	6 4
49	18	**SUN.**	6 50	5 39	6 17	7 7
50	19	Monday	6 49	5 40	rises	7 57
51	20	Tuesday	6 48	5 41	6 32	8 44
52	21	Wednes.	6 46	5 42	7 43	9 27
53	22	Thursd.	6 45	5 43	8 54	10 8
54	23	Friday	6 43	5 45	10 2	10 44
55	24	Saturd'y	6 42	5 46	11 10	11 24
56	25	**SUN.**	6 40	5 47	morn	——
57	26	Monday	6 39	5 48	0 17	0 34
58	27	Tuesday	6 38	5 49	1 21	1 25
59	28	Wednes.	6 36	5 50	2 21	2 21
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3d Month. **MARCH.** 31 Days.

MOON'S PHASES.	DAY.	NEW YORK.	CHICAGO.
New Moon	7	9h. 18m. mo.	8h. 18m. mo.
First Quarter	14	1h. 28m. ev.	0h. 28m. ev.
Full Moon	21	9h. 11m. mo.	8h. 11m. mo.
Last Quarter	29	3h. 28m. mo.	2h. 28m. mo.

Day of Year.	Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun Rises. H. M.	Sun Sets. H. M.	Moon Rises. H. M.	H. W. N.Y. H. M.
60	1	Thursd.	6 35	5 51	3 17	3 23
61	2	Friday	6 33	5 52	4 6	4 24
62	3	Saturd'y	6 31	5 54	4 48	5 23
63	4	**SUN.**	6 30	5 55	5 22	6 16
64	5	Monday	6 28	5 56	5 50	7 4
65	6	Tuesday	6 27	5 57	6 14	7 43
66	7	Wednes.	6 25	5 58	sets	8 20
67	8	Thursd.	6 24	5 59	7 20	8 58
68	9	Friday	6 22	6 0	8 27	9 36
69	10	Saturd'y	6 20	6 1	9 38	10 13
70	11	**SUN.**	6 19	6 2	10 51	10 53
71	12	Monday	6 17	6 3	morn	11 41
72	13	Tuesday	6 15	6 5	0 7	0 8
73	14	Wednes.	6 14	6 6	1 20	1 10
74	15	Thursd.	6 12	6 7	2 27	2 19
75	16	Friday	6 11	6 8	3 26	3 35
76	17	Saturd'y	6 9	6 9	4 13	4 48
77	18	**SUN.**	6 7	6 10	4 49	5 53
78	19	Monday	6 6	6 11	5 19	6 49
79	20	Tuesday	6 4	6 12	5 43	7 34
80	21	Wednes.	6 2	6 13	rises	8 14
81	22	Thursd.	6 1	6 14	7 43	8 54
82	23	Friday	5 59	6 15	8 50	9 34
83	24	Saturd'y	5 57	6 16	9 58	10 12
84	25	**SUN.**	5 56	6 17	11 6	10 51
85	26	Monday	5 54	6 18	morn	11 36
86	27	Tuesday	5 52	6 19	0 10	0 1
87	28	Wednes.	5 51	6 20	1 9	0 55
88	29	Thursd.	5 49	6 21	2 0	1 52
89	30	Friday	5 47	6 22	2 44	2 51
90	31	Saturd'y	5 45	6 23	3 21	3 52

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4th Month. APRIL. 30 Days.

MOON'S PHASES.	DAY.	NEW YORK.	CHICAGO.
New Moon	5	11h. 0m. ev.	10h. 0m. ev.
First Quarter	12	7h. 32m. ev.	6h. 32m. ev.
Full Moon	19	10h. 1m. ev.	9h. 1m. ev.
Last Quarter	27	10h. 20m. ev.	9h. 20m. ev.

Day of Year.	Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun Rises. H. M.	Sun Sets. H. M.	Moon Rises. H. M.	H. W. N.Y. H. M.
91	1	**SUN.**	5 44	6 24	3 51	4 49
92	2	Monday	5 42	6 26	4 16	5 40
93	3	Tuesday	5 41	6 27	4 39	6 27
94	4	Wednes.	5 39	6 28	5 0	7 9
95	5	Thursd.	5 37	6 29	5 21	7 46
96	6	Friday	5 36	6 30	sets	8 24
97	7	Saturd'y	5 34	6 31	8 37	9 7
98	8	**SUN.**	5 32	6 32	9 54	9 51
99	9	Monday	5 31	6 33	11 10	10 37
100	10	Tuesday	5 29	6 34	morn	11 31
101	11	Wednes.	5 28	6 35	0 21	0 2
102	12	Thursd.	5 26	6 36	1 21	1 8
103	13	Friday	5 25	6 37	2 12	2 18
104	14	Saturd'y	5 23	6 38	2 51	3 29
105	15	**SUN.**	5 21	6 39	3 23	4 33
106	16	Monday	5 20	6 40	3 49	5 31
107	17	Tuesday	5 18	6 41	4 11	6 21
108	18	Wednes.	5 17	6 42	4 32	7 5
109	19	Thursd.	5 15	6 43	4 54	7 43
110	20	Friday	5 14	6 44	rises	8 20
111	21	Saturd'y	5 13	6 45	8 49	9 3
112	22	**SUN.**	5 11	6 46	9 56	9 44
113	23	Monday	5 10	6 47	10 56	10 26
114	24	Tuesday	5 8	6 48	11 50	11 10
115	25	Wednes.	5 7	6 49	morn	——
116	26	Thursd.	5 5	6 50	0 39	0 27
117	27	Friday	5 4	6 51	1 19	1 21
118	28	Saturd'y	5 3	6 52	1 51	2 15
119	29	**SUN.**	5 1	6 53	2 18	3 11
120	30	Monday	5 0	6 54	2 41	4 5
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5th Month. **MAY.** 31 Days.

MOON'S PHASES.	DAY.	NEW YORK.	CHICAGO.
New Moon	5	9h. 42m. mo.	8h. 42m. mo.
First Quarter	12	1h. 21m. mo.	0h. 21m. mo.
Full Moon	19	11h. 43m. mo.	10h. 43m. mo.
Last Quarter	27	3h. 4m. ev.	2h. 4m. ev.

Day of Year.	Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun Rises. H. M.	Sun Sets. H. M.	Moon Rises. H. M.	H. W. N.Y. H. M.
121	1	Tuesday	4 59	6 55	3 2	4 55
122	2	Wednes.	4 58	6 57	3 23	5 43
123	3	Thursd.	4 56	6 58	3 45	6 29
124	4	Friday	4 55	6 59	4 9	7 14
125	5	Saturd'y	4 54	7 0	sets	7 56
126	6	**SUN.**	4 53	7 1	8 51	8 44
127	7	Monday	4 51	7 2	10 8	9 38
128	8	Tuesday	4 50	7 3	11 15	10 31
129	9	Wednes.	4 49	7 4	morn	11 29
130	10	Thursd.	4 48	7 5	0 9	0 0
131	11	Friday	4 47	7 6	0 53	1 3
132	12	Saturd'y	4 46	7 7	1 26	2 6
133	13	**SUN.**	4 45	7 8	1 52	3 7
134	14	Monday	4 44	7 9	2 15	4 4
135	15	Tuesday	4 43	7 10	2 37	4 56
136	16	Wednes.	4 42	7 11	2 58	5 45
137	17	Thursd.	4 41	7 12	3 21	6 31
138	18	Friday	4 40	7 13	3 45	7 15
139	19	Saturd'y	4 39	7 14	rises	7 54
140	20	**SUN.**	4 38	7 14	8 45	8 37
141	21	Monday	4 38	7 15	9 44	9 22
142	22	Tuesday	4 37	7 16	10 34	10 8
143	23	Wednes.	4 36	7 17	11 16	10 49
144	24	Thursd.	4 35	7 18	11 50	11 36
145	25	Friday	4 35	7 19	morn	0 0
146	26	Saturd'y	4 34	7 20	0 18	0 48
147	27	**SUN.**	4 33	7 21	0 43	1 35
148	28	Monday	4 33	7 21	1 5	2 24
149	29	Tuesday	4 32	7 22	1 25	3 14
150	30	Wednes.	4 32	7 23	1 46	4 6
151	31	Thursd.	4 31	7 24	2 8	4 58

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6th Month. **JUNE.** 30 Days.

MOON'S PHASES.	DAY.	NEW YORK.	CHICAGO.
New Moon	3	5h. 56m. ev.	4h. 56m. ev.
First Quarter	10	8h. 14m. mo.	7h. 14m. mo.
Full Moon	18	9h. 6m. mo.	1h. 6m. mo.
Last Quarter	26	5h. 25m. mo.	4h. 2m. mo.

Day of Year.	Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun Rises. H. M.	Sun Sets. H. M.	Moon Rises H. M.	H. W. N.Y. H. M.
152	1	Friday	4 31	7 24	2 33	5 50
153	2	Saturd'y	4 30	7 25	3 5	6 44
154	3	**SUN.**	4 30	7 26	3 44	7 37
155	4	Monday	4 30	7 27	sets	8 32
156	5	Tuesday	4 29	7 27	10 0	9 31
157	6	Wednes.	4 29	7 28	10 48	10 26
158	7	Thursd.	4 29	7 28	11 25	11 21
159	8	Friday	4 29	7 29	11 55	——
160	9	Saturd'y	4 28	7 30	morn	0 45
161	10	**SUN.**	4 28	7 30	0 19	1 39
162	11	Monday	4 28	7 31	0 42	2 33
163	12	Tuesday	4 28	7 31	1 3	3 25
164	13	Wednes.	4 28	7 32	1 24	4 17
165	14	Thursd.	4 28	7 32	1 49	5 9
166	15	Friday	4 28	7 32	2 16	6 0
167	16	Saturd'y	4 28	7 33	2 48	6 49
168	17	**SUN.**	4 28	7 33	3 26	7 34
169	18	Monday	4 28	7 33	rises	8 17
170	19	Tuesday	4 28	7 34	9 13	9 4
171	20	Wednes.	4 28	7 34	9 50	9 48
172	21	Thursd.	4 29	7 34	10 20	10 28
173	22	Friday	4 29	7 34	10 46	11 7
174	23	Saturd'y	4 29	7 35	11 9	11 49
175	24	**SUN.**	4 29	7 35	11 29	0 10
176	25	Monday	4 30	7 35	11 48	0 53
177	26	Tuesday	4 30	7 35	morn	1 37
178	27	Wednes.	4 30	7 35	0 9	2 26
179	28	Thursd.	4 31	7 35	0 33	3 20
180	29	Friday	4 31	7 35	1 0	4 17
181	30	Saturd'y	4 32	7 35	1 34	5 20
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7th Month. **JULY.** 31 Days.

MOON'S PHASES.	DAY.	NEW YORK.	CHICAGO.
New Moon.....	3	0h. 45m. mo.	11h. 45m. ev.
First Quarter.....	9	5h. 15m. ev.	4h. 15m. ev.
Full Moon.....	17	5h. 3m. ev.	4h. 3m. ev.
Last Quarter.....	25	4h. 7m. ev.	3h. 7m. ev.

Day of Year.	Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun Rises. H. M.	Sun Sets. H. M.	Moon Rises. H. M.	H. W. N.Y. H. M.
182	1	**SUN.**	4 32	7 35	2 19	6 26
183	2	Monday	4 33	7 34	3 16	7 26
184	3	Tuesday	4 33	7 34	sets	8 25
185	4	Wednes.	4 34	7 34	9 22	9 24
186	5	Thursd.	4 34	7 34	9 54	10 16
187	6	Friday	4 35	7 34	10 22	11 3
188	7	Saturd'y	4 36	7 33	10 45	11 50
189	8	**SUN.**	4 37	7 33	11 8	0 15
190	9	Monday	4 37	7 33	11 30	1 3
191	10	Tuesday	4 38	7 32	11 53	1 51
192	11	Wednes.	4 38	7 32	morn	2 45
193	12	Thursd.	4 39	7 31	0 19	3 40
194	13	Friday	4 40	7 31	0 49	4 35
195	14	Saturd'y	4 40	7 30	1 26	5 33
196	15	**SUN.**	4 41	7 30	2 10	6 27
197	16	Monday	4 42	7 29	3 1	7 17
198	17	Tuesday	4 43	7 29	rises	7 59
199	18	Wednes.	4 43	7 28	8 23	8 43
200	19	Thursd.	4 44	7 27	8 50	9 24
201	20	Friday	4 45	7 27	9 13	10 2
202	21	Saturd'y	4 46	7 26	9 34	10 36
203	22	**SUN.**	4 47	7 25	9 54	11 12
204	23	Monday	4 48	7 24	10 13	11 51
205	24	Tuesday	4 49	7 23	10 34	0 11
206	25	Wednes.	4 49	7 22	10 59	0 56
207	26	Thursd.	4 50	7 21	11 29	1 47
208	27	Friday	4 51	7 21	morn	2 45
209	28	Saturd'y	4 52	7 20	0 7	3 51
210	29	**SUN.**	4 53	7 19	0 57	5 4
211	30	Monday	4 54	7 18	2 0	6 16
212	31	Tuesday	4 55	7 17	3 17	7 19

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8th Month. **AUGUST.** 31 Days.

MOON'S PHASES.	DAY.	NEW YORK.	CHICAGO.
New Moon	1	7h. 24m. mo.	6h. 24m. mo.
First Quarter	8	5h. 5m. mo.	4h. 5m. mo.
Full Moon	16	8h. 17m. mo.	7h. 17m. mo.
Last Quarter	24	0h. 40m. mo.	11h. 40m. ev.
New Moon	30	3h. 4m. ev.	2h. 4m. ev.

Day of Year.	Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun Rises. H. M.	Sun Sets. H. M.	Moon Sets. H. M.	H. W. N.Y. H. M.
213	1	Wednes.	4 56	7 16	sets	8 16
214	2	Thursd.	4 57	7 15	8 20	9 7
215	3	Friday	4 58	7 13	8 46	9 54
216	4	Saturd'y	4 59	7 12	9 9	10 36
217	5	**SUN.**	5 0	7 11	9 32	11 17
218	6	Monday	5 1	7 10	9 55	——
219	7	Tuesday	5 2	7 9	10 20	0 25
220	8	Wednes.	5 3	7 7	10 49	1 14
221	9	Thursd.	5 4	7 6	11 24	2 7
222	10	Friday	5 5	7 5	morn	3 6
223	11	Saturd'y	5 6	7 4	0 6	4 7
224	12	**SUN.**	5 7	7 2	0 55	5 8
225	13	Monday	5 8	7 1	1 51	6 5
226	14	Tuesday	5 9	7 0	2 52	6 55
227	15	Wednes.	5 10	6 58	3 56	7 38
228	16	Thursd.	5 11	6 57	rises	8 15
229	17	Friday	5 12	6 55	7 40	8 54
230	18	Saturd'y	5 13	6 54	7 59	9 30
231	19	**SUN.**	5 14	6 52	8 19	10 5
232	20	Monday	5 15	6 51	8 40	10 38
233	21	Tuesday	5 16	6 50	9 3	11 16
234	22	Wednes.	5 17	6 48	9 31	——
235	23	Thursd.	5 18	6 47	10 5	0 26
236	24	Friday	5 19	6 45	10 49	1 21
237	25	Saturd'y	5 20	6 43	11 45	2 27
238	26	**SUN.**	5 21	6 42	morn	3 42
239	27	Monday	5 22	6 40	0 52	4 58
240	28	Tuesday	5 23	6 39	2 10	6 8
241	29	Wednes.	5 23	6 37	3 33	7 8
242	30	Thursd.	5 24	6 36	sets	7 56
243	31	Friday	5 25	6 34	7 9	8 41

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9th Month. SEPTEMBER. 30 Days.

MOON'S PHASES.	DAY.	NEW YORK.	CHICAGO.
First Quarter.....	6	8h. 3m. ev.	7h. 3m. ev.
Full Moon.....	14	11h. 21m. ev.	10h. 21m. ev.
Last Quarter.....	22	7h. 33m. mo.	6h. 33m. mo.
New Moon.....	29	0h. 44m. mo.	11h. 44m. ev.

FOR THE CHRISTIANS

Day of Year.	Day of Moon.	Day of Week.	Sun Rises. H. M.	Sun Sets. H. M.	Moon Sets. H. M.	H. W. N. Y. H. M.
244	1	Saturd'y	5 26	6 32	7 33	9 25
245	2	SUN.	5 27	6 31	7 55	10 5
246	3	Monday	5 28	6 29	8 20	10 44
247	4	Tuesday	5 29	6 28	8 49	11 27
248	5	Wednes.	5 30	6 26	9 23	——
249	6	Thursd.	5 31	6 24	10 3	0 42
250	7	Friday	5 32	6 23	10 50	1 37
251	8	Saturd'y	5 33	6 21	11 43	2 39
252	9	SUN.	5 34	6 19	morn	3 41
253	10	Monday	5 35	6 18	0 42	4 41
254	11	Tuesday	5 36	6 16	1 45	5 36
255	12	Wednes.	5 37	6 14	2 48	6 25
256	13	Thursd.	5 38	6 13	3 53	7 8
257	14	Friday	5 39	6 11	4 56	7 44
258	15	Saturd'y	5 40	6 9	rises	8 18
259	16	SUN.	5 41	6 8	6 46	8 56
260	17	Monday	5 42	6 6	7 7	9 34
261	18	Tuesday	5 43	6 4	7 32	10 12
262	19	Wednes.	5 44	6 3	8 4	10 52
263	20	Thursd.	5 45	6 1	8 45	11 41
264	21	Friday	5 46	5 59	9 35	0 9
265	22	Saturd'y	5 47	5 58	10 38	1 12
266	23	SUN.	5 48	5 56	11 51	2 23
267	24	Monday	5 49	5 54	morn	3 37
268	25	Tuesday	5 50	5 53	1 10	4 48
269	26	Wednes.	5 51	5 51	2 30	5 51
270	27	Thursd.	5 52	5 49	3 47	6 46
271	28	Friday	5 53	5 47	5 2	7 30
272	29	Saturd'y	5 54	5 46	sets	8 10
273	30	SUN.	5 55	5 44	6 20	8 53
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FOR A CATALOGUE ADDRESS THE PRESIDENT,

REV. W. S. LONG, D. D.,

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10th Month. OCTOBER. 31 Days.

MOON'S PHASES.	DAY.	NEW YORK.	CHICAGO.
First Quarter	6	8h. 1m. ev.	7h. 1m. ev.
Full Moon	14	1h. 41m. ev.	0h. 41m. ev.
Last Quarter	21	1h. 56m. ev.	0h. 56m. ev.
New Moon	28	0h. 57m. ev.	11h. 57m. mo.

Day of Year.	Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun Rises. H. M.	Sun Sets. H. M.	Moon Sets. H. M.	M. W. N. Y. H. M.
274	1	Monday	5 56	5 42	6 46	9 35
275	2	Tuesday	5 57	5 41	7 18	10 15
276	3	Wednes.	5 58	5 39	7 55	10 58
277	4	Thursd.	5 59	5 38	8 40	11 48
278	5	Friday	6 0	5 36	9 33	0 15
279	6	Saturd'y	6 1	5 34	10 30	1 11
280	7	SUN.	6 2	5 33	11 32	2 9
281	8	Monday	6 3	5 31	morn	3 9
282	9	Tuesday	6 5	5 29	0 37	4 5
283	10	Wednes.	6 6	5 28	1 41	4 56
284	11	Thursd.	6 7	5 26	2 44	5 45
285	12	Friday	6 8	5 25	3 47	6 28
286	13	Saturd'y	6 9	5 23	4 51	7 8
287	14	SUN.	6 10	5 22	5 56	7 45
288	15	Monday	6 11	5 20	rises	8 23
289	16	Tuesday	6 12	5 19	6 6	9 7
290	17	Wednes.	6 13	5 17	6 44	9 52
291	18	Thursd.	6 14	5 16	7 32	10 39
292	19	Friday	6 15	5 14	8 32	11 34
293	20	Saturd'y	6 16	5 13	9 41	0 5
294	21	SUN.	6 17	5 11	10 57	1 11
295	22	Monday	6 19	5 10	morn	2 18
296	23	Tuesday	6 20	5 8	0 13	3 25
297	24	Wednes.	6 21	5 7	1 30	4 27
298	25	Thursd.	6 22	5 6	2 44	5 24
299	26	Friday	6 23	5 4	3 56	6 14
300	27	Saturd'y	6 24	5 3	5 6	7 0
301	28	SUN.	6 25	5 2	6 18	7 42
302	29	Monday	6 26	5 0	sets	8 22
303	30	Tuesday	6 28	4 59	5 51	9 8
304	31	Wednes.	6 29	4 58	6 32	9 54

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11th Month, NOVEMBER. 30 Days.

MOON'S PHASES.	DAY.	NEW YORK.	CHICAGO.
First Quarter.....	5	10h. 16m. mo.	9h. 16m. mo.
Full Moon.....	13	2h. 49m. mo.	1h. 49m. mo.
Last Quarter.....	19	9h. 8m. ev.	8h. 8m. ev.
New Moon.....	27	3h. 54m. mo.	2h. 54m. mo.

Day of Year.	Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun Rises. H. M.	Sun Sets. H. M.	Moon Sets H. M.	H. W. N.Y. H. M.
305	1	Thursd.	6 30	4 57	7 23	10 38
306	2	Friday	6 31	4 56	8 19	11 25
307	3	Saturd'y	6 32	4 54	9 19	——
308	4	**SUN.**	6 34	4 53	10 22	0 43
309	5	Monday	6 35	4 52	11 25	1 35
310	6	Tuesday	6 36	4 51	morn	2 27
311	7	Wednes.	6 37	4 50	0 28	3 18
312	8	Thursd.	6 38	4 49	1 31	4 7
313	9	Friday	6 40	4 48	2 33	4 55
314	10	Saturd'y	6 41	4 47	3 38	5 43
315	11	**SUN.**	6 42	4 46	4 46	6 29
316	12	Monday	6 43	4 45	5 59	7 14
317	13	Tuesday	6 44	4 44	rises	7 57
318	14	Wednes.	6 46	4 43	5 24	8 48
319	15	Thursd.	6 47	4 42	6 21	9 42
320	16	Friday	6 48	4 41	7 31	10 35
321	17	Saturd'y	6 49	4 41	8 47	11 31
322	18	**SUN.**	6 50	4 40	10 5	0 1
323	19	Monday	6 51	4 39	11 20	1 2
324	20	Tuesday	6 53	4 39	morn	2 1
325	21	Wednes.	6 54	4 38	0 34	2 59
326	22	Thursd.	6 55	4 38	1 44	3 56
327	23	Friday	6 56	4 37	2 54	4 49
328	24	Saturd'y	6 57	4 37	4 3	5 40
329	25	**SUN.**	6 58	4 36	5 14	6 29
330	26	Monday	6 59	4 36	6 24	7 16
331	27	Tuesday	7 0	4 35	sets	8 0
332	28	Wednes.	7 1	4 35	5 13	8 46
333	29	Thursd.	7 2	4 35	6 7	9 34
334	30	Friday	7 3	4 34	7 7	10 18
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12th Month. **DECEMBER.** 31 Days.

MOON'S PHASES.	DAY.	NEW YORK.	CHICAGO.
First Quarter.....	5	7h. 15m. mo.	6h. 15m. mo.
Full Moon.....	12	2h. 46m. ev.	1h. 46m. ev.
Last Quarter.....	19	6h. 16m. mo.	5h. 16m. mo.
New Moon.....	26	9h. 20m. ev.	8h. 20m. ev.

Day of Year.	Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun Rises. H. M.	Sun Sets. H. M.	Moon Sets. H. M.	R. W. N. Y. H. M.
335	1	Saturd'y	7 4	4 34	8 10	11 1
336	2	**SUN.**	7 5	4 33	9 13	11 46
337	3	Monday	7 6	4 33	10 14	0 9
338	4	Tuesday	7 7	4 33	11 16	0 53
339	5	Wednes.	7 8	4 33	morn	1 39
340	6	Thursd.	7 9	4 33	0 19	2 25
341	7	Friday	7 10	4 33	1 21	3 13
342	8	Saturd'y	7 11	4 33	2 26	4 4
343	9	**SUN.**	7 12	4 33	3 34	4 56
344	10	Monday	7 13	4 33	4 46	5 51
345	11	Tuesday	7 14	4 33	6 3	6 48
346	12	Wednes.	7 15	4 33	rises	7 41
347	13	Thursd.	7 16	4 33	5 11	8 37
348	14	Friday	7 16	4 34	6 27	9 35
349	15	Saturd'y	7 17	4 34	7 49	10 28
350	16	**SUN.**	7 18	4 34	9 9	11 20
351	17	**Monday**	7 18	4 34	10 23	——
352	18	**Tuesday**	7 19	4 35	11 36	0 40
353	19	Wednes.	7 20	4 35	morn	1 32
354	20	Thursd.	7 20	4 36	0 46	2 25
355	21	Friday	7 21	4 36	1 56	3 19
356	22	Saturd'y	7 21	4 37	3 4	4 13
357	23	**SUN.**	7 22	4 37	4 13	5 10
358	24	Monday	7 22	4 38	5 21	6 5
359	25	Tuesday	7 22	4 38	6 25	6 56
360	26	Wednes.	7 23	4 39	7 23	7 43
361	27	Thursd.	7 23	4 40	sets	8 28
362	28	Friday	7 24	4 40	5 59	9 15
363	29	Saturd'y	7 24	4 41	7 2	9 56
364	30	**SUN.**	7 24	4 42	8 5	10 34
365	31	Monday	7 24	4 43	9 7	11 11

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REV. STEPHEN S. BARRETT.

Rev. S. S. Barrett, the subject of this sketch was born April 16th, 1812, and died Sept. 25, 1893, being in his 84th year. He was twice married. His first marriage with Miss Sarah A. Middleton took place April 24th, 1834. His first wife died Feb. 14th, 1837. On August 31st, 1838, he was again married to Miss Martha A. Carson, and these two walked the journey of life together for fifty years. She died Nov. 16th, 1888, leaving our venerable brother old and infirm. They had reared three children, Rebecca, William and Thomas—all of whom preceded their father to the spirit world, leaving him with eight grand-children, five of whom reside in Berkley and the other three in the city of Richmond, Va.

On Oct. 6th, 1847, he organized the Berkley Christian Church and served it as pastor for twenty-two years, and remained a member to the day of his death, always feeling a deep and an abiding interest in its welfare.

His last illness was more the effects of old age than otherwise. He lingered for many weeks and finally passed peacefully away surrounded by his grand-children and friends.

The funeral services were conducted by his pastor, the Rev. Roger Charnock, in the presence of a large congregation. He was assisted by the Rev. C. J. Jones, D. D., Rev. J. Pressley Barrett, D. D., and the Rev. J. J. Edwards of the M. E. Church, South.

"Asleep in Jesus" was sung, and his remains were laid to rest in the cemetery in Berkley.

A long and useful life has thus come to an end, fully ripe and ready, doubtless, for the garner.

Peace to his ashes.

THE CHRISTIANS.

The word Christian is not used in the Old Testament. But the prophet, Isaiah, in speaking of the time when the wall of partition should be broken down between Jew and Gentile, and the Gentiles should receive the gospel, says: And thou shalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the Lord shall name. Isaiah 62:2. Dr. Clarke in commenting upon this scripture, says: Thou shalt be called by a new name—viz.: Christian.

We find that as soon as the Gentiles had fully received the Gospel, the diciples were then called Christians. Acts 11:26. For many long years the diciples of Christ were pleased to be called by this precious name. But at last divisions entered the ranks of the followers of the blessed Master, and with them, man-made names. And these sectarian names continued to crowd the name Christian to the rear until the year 1794.

At what was known as the Christmas Conference at Baltimore, Md., 1792, of the societies which had been founded in America by Mr. Wesley, an effort was made for the better organization of Methodism. In this organization, there was a division, Francis Asbury and those acting with him desiring a bishop, James O'Kelly and others opposing. But the majority said, Give us a bishop. O'Kelly then offered a resolution, asking for the right of appeal from the bishop to the elders, in case a minister felt himself aggrieved in the appointment given him by the bishop. This resolution was voted down; and then O'Kelly and many others withdrew.

At first O'Kelly and those acting with him were called Republican Methodists; but in Conference in 1794 at Lebanon Church, in Surry county, Va., at the suggestion of Rev. Rice Haggard they decided to be called by no name but Christian.

At this Conference they started in the work of the Master upon the following principles which they have held to ever since:

1. Christ the only head of the Church.
2. The name Christian to the exclusion of all sectarian names.
3. The Bible our only creed or confession of faith.
4. Christian character our only test of fellowship.
5. The right of private judgment and the liberty of conscience accorded to all.

There are now in North Carolina about 9000 members of the Christian Church of the white race, and about 7000 of the colored race, in the United States a total of about 150,000.

The numbers here mentioned, are actual communicants of the church.

The Christians own and control six colleges.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Virginia Valley Christian Conference,

IN ITS

TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION,

BETHLEHEM CHURCH, Rockingnam Co., Va.

The Virginia Valley Christian Conference convened at the above named place today in its 24th annual session, and was called to order by Rev. E. T. Iseley, President of last session. Rev. A. F. Iseley of the N. C. and Va. Christian Conference, being present conducted devotional exercises.

The roll of ministers and churches was called and Rev. E. T. Iseley responded. Revs. D. T. Deans and D. A. Barney wre absent.

The churches responded through the following delegates:

Antioch, T. H. Showalter and John G. Miller; Bethlehem, J. D. Hilliard and D. P. Rosenberger; Concord, J, S. Martz; Linville, E. Sipe and B. F. Black.

A quorum being present, Conference proceeded to the election of officers, which resulted as follows:

President, Rev. E. T. Iseley; Assistant Secretary, D. P. Rosenberger.

On motion Bro. J. D. Hilliard was elected to receive funds to pay for the printing of our minutes.

On motion Rev. A. F. Iseley, of the N. C. and Va. Christian Conference was invited to a seat as a deliberative member in this body.

On motion of Bro. J. D. Hilliard, seconded by Bro. D. P. Rosenberger, the subject of increasing the representation of our churches in annual conference, was taken up and considered.

Bro. D. P. Rosenberger offered the following resolution, which after being discussed by Bros. E. Sipe, J. D. Hilliard, and Rev. A. F. Iseley was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That each church of 50 members or less be entitled to two delegates and one additional delegate for each 25 members.

On motion it was agreed that the Annual Address be postponed until tomorrow.

On motion conference adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The President in the chair.

On motion Bro. C. H. Swank was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

On motion of Bro. D. P. Rosenberger, last years schedule for meeting and adjournment was adopted for the present session.

On motion it was agreed that we go into the election of some one to deliver the Annual Address before this body at its next annual session. Rev. E, T. Iseley was chosen, allowing him the privilege of having some one to act as alternate for him if he chooses to do so.

On motion it was agreed to go into the selection of a place for this body to hold its next annual session. Concord was chosen.

On motion it was agreed that we go into the election of fraternal messengers to sister conferences. Bro. B. F. Black, and Rev. E. T. Iseley were elected to the N. C. & Va. Conference and Bros. C. H. Swank and E. Sipe to the E. Va.

The chair appointed Bros. J. D. Hilliard and J. S. Martz a committee on entertainment.

Ministerial reports were called for and Rev. E. T. Iseley read his report.

On motion it was agreed that this body pay its secretary $5.00 annually.

It was agreed that the various churches comprising this conference be asked to pay into the conference treasury, for a contingent fund, 5cts. per member. The Chairman was also requested to appoint a collector in Antioch church and one in Linville to collect from their respective churches the above named amount, these churches having paid nothing for contingent fund during the past year.

On motion it was agreed that we have the proceedings of our conference printed in the Christian Annual at a cost of $15.00

MINISTERIAL REPORT.

Annual report to the Va. Valley Christian Conference.

Pastoral labors of Rev. E. T. Iseley, for the year beginning Sept. 1, 1892, and ending Sept. 1, 1893. Names of churches in charge: Antioch, Bethlehem, Linville and Concord. No. of sermons preached, 129. Lectures and addresses, 6. Prayer meetings held, 58. Conversions, 23. Pastoral visits, 202. Funeral services, 1. Marriages, 4. Amount of salary, $283.56.

On motion of Bro. B. F. Black, it was agreed that this conference make arrangements for a pastor for her four churches during the ensuing year.

The president called Rev. A. F. Iseley to the chair and withdrew from the house.

On motion of Col. E. Sipe it was agreed to call Rev. E.

T. Iseley to serve said churches at a salary of $450.

The following resolution as to method of raising said amount was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That this conference employ E. T. Isely at $450 to be paid by the respective church in proportion to members and wealth as set forth by the last years assessment plan which amounts shall be determined by the Executive Committee. Each church to raise her part by any means she finds best.

The president returned and the president pro tem. stated to him what had been done during his absence. Bro. Iseley stated that before accepting the call, he desired that satisfactory arrangements be made for the the payment of arrearage due him from some of the churches.

On motion conference adjourned with prayer by the secretary.

SECOND DAY, SEPT. 1.

Owing to the absence of members of standing committees, caused by inclemency of the weather, business of conference was dispensed with in the forenoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by the president.

Roll was called and the minutes of yesterday read and approved.

On motion of the secretary, Rev. W. T. Herndon of the N. C. & Va. Christian Conference, and Bro. J. M. Bradford of the Episcopal church were invited to seats as deliberative members.

Dr. Herndon responded with appropriate remarks.

Church letters were called for and letters from Concord, Bethlehem, and Antioch were handed in.

The assistant secretary being absent, the secretary asked for permission to call an assistant which was granted.

Bro. J. S. Martz was called on to read the church letters.

Bro. J. D. Hilliard again introduced the subject of pro-

curing a pastor for the churches of this conference. Bro. Iseley stated that he would accept the call of the churches. at Linville, Concord and Antioch. Bethlehem having failed to make satisfactory arrangement for the arrearage on last year's salary. Bro. J. D. Hilliard stated that a meeting of the church would be held and the result reported to the secretary in the near future.

On motion of the secretary, it was agreed to go into the election of delegates to represent our conference in the General Convention which shall meet on Friday before the first Sunday in May, 1894. Rev. E. T. Iseley and Bro. J, S. Martz were elected, J. S. Kagey was elected alternate for Bro. Martz.

Conference adjourned with devotional exercises conducted by the president.

THIRD DAY, SEPT. 2.

Devotional exercises conducted by Dr. W. T. Herndon.

Roll called.

Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

Bro. J. M. Huffman, a delegate from Concord was enrolled.

The report on Home Missions was read and after being discussed by the president, Bros. E. Sipe, D. P. Rosenberger, Rev. A. F. Iseley and Dr. Herndon, was adopted as follows:

HOME MISSION REPORT.

Your committee on Home Missions submits the following report. The total amount of funds collected during the past year we find is $15.74 paid by the respective churches as follows:

Antioch $7.00, Bethlehem $5.50, Linville $2.24, Concord $1.00.

Your committee would recommend greater efforts upon the part of the churches of this conference to increase our collections for Home Missions for the ensuing year according to our ability which we believe God demands of his people.

"The fields are white and the harvest is waiting" and we as a church are not yet ready to reap. We believe that with sufficient means and proper efforts the bounds of our church and her principles would soon be greatly extended.

We would recommend as special points of interest, the neighborhoods of Lilly and Bruce, where our ministers are favored with open doors, The mission work however, does not depend upon the minister alone, but all Sund ay

School superintendents, teachers and spiritual workers should feel willing to unite, and contribute their means and influence for the cause.

D. P. ROSENBERGER,
D. J. SIPE,
J. S. KAGEY.

The secretary moved that in consequence of the amount of work before us and the short time in which we have to do it, all talks be limited to ten minutes and that no one be allowed to speak on the same subject more than twice. Carried.

Church letters were again called for, and the letter from Linville church was handed in and read.

The report of the Executive Committee was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your committee has had one meeting. It apportioned the amount of Pastors salary for 1892-3 to the four churches upon basis of the numerical and financial strength of each. By way of carrying out Resolutions of the Va. Valley Conference.

E. T. ISELEY,
E. SIPE,
C. H. SWANK,
J. D. HILLIARD.

The president appointed the following standing committees:

Education.—J. J. Lincoln, J. S. Martz, C. A. Henton.

Home Missions.—D. P. Rosenberger, W. H. Sipe, T. H. Showalter.

Foreign Missions.—Misses Ada A. Swank, Fannie Simmers, Cornie Bradford, Bertie Huffman.

Temperance.—C. H. Swank, E. Sipe, J. M. Huffman.

Religious Literature.—J, S. Kagey, B. F. Black, J. D. Hilliard.

Executive Committee.—E. Sipe, C. H. Swank, J. S. Martz, J. D. Hilliard.

Sabbath Schools.—J. S. Martz, C. H. Swank, J. S. Kagey.

Bro. E. Sipe offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That in view of the importance of increasing the Home. Mission collections in this conference, this body requests the pastor of the churches of this conference, to call a special meeting to organize a local society in each church.

The report on the committee of foreign missions was read, discussed by Rev. A. F. Iseley and Dr. Herndon, after which it was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

God in his mercy gave to fallen humanity a Savior and then said to those who were witnesses of his death in our stead, and of his resurrection from the grave; go tell the good news to every creature. Now after more than 1800 years, through the faithful telling of others, we are rejoicing in that truth, and with thanks to God for the privilege are taking steps to let it flow onward to others. Notwithstanding there are some, we are sorry to say, within the bounds of our conference by their profession claiming to be servants of the Lord who evidently feel themselves under no obligation to give of their means for the spreading of his word among those who have it not, we feel encouraged to believe that the interest among us as a body of believers is increasing; and, that by a continued proper effort to bring before the minds of the people their duty and to solicit their means, they will be constraned through the love of Christ to give more liberally and cheerfully in the future and thus do a greater work for the master than we have ever yet done.

The collection for this year is as follows: Antioch $13.16, Linville, $2.25, Bethlehem $4.00, Concord $1.00, Total $20.41.

We recommend that this Conference require its pastor to make special effort to show each congregation its duty respecting said work.

That the foreign mission committee be composed of one member of each church of the conference, and, that each member be furnished with a a copy of the roll of his respective church in order that they may solicit as far as possible each individual member of the churches.

That the churches be asked for not less than the following amounts. Antioch $12.00, Linville $8.00, Bethlehem $12.00, Concord $4.00.

ADA A. SWANK,
FANNIE SIMMERS,
MOLLIE DEAVERS.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved. That a committee of one be appointed by the chairman to receive the amounts of contingent funds from the collectors of the several churches and settle with the secretary of this conference.—B. F. BLACK.

Bro. J. S. Martz was appointed.

Conference adjourned to meet at one o'clock, p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The president in the chair.

On motion the name of the president was placed on the committee of education to fill the vacancy caused by the absence of Bro. J. J. Lincoln.

On motion the committee on education was granted permission to withdraw from the house. The president invited Dr. Herndon to occupy the chair during his absence.

The rollowing report on temperance was adopted after being discussed by Bros. E, Sipe and D. P. Rosenberger :

TEMPERANCE REPORT.

We see no reason for making any temperance report further than to reaffirm what this body said on the subject, in the last years adopted report.

E. SIPE,
C. H. SWANK,
J. M. HUFFMAN.

Bro. Harvey Simmers, treasurer of the conference offered his resignation through Bro. D. P. Rosenberger. The resignation was accepted and Bro. C. D. Maphis was elected to fill the vacancy.

By request Bros. E. Sipe and B. F. Black were granted leave of absence.

Bro. D. J. Sipe, Bro. Black's alternate, was enrolled as member of conference.

The report of the Sabbath Schools was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your committee on Sunday schools rejoice in offering the following report: The Sunday school work during the past year has been attended with success. We now have Sunday school at all the churches in this conference making four schools. Our schools are very hopeful and are progressing slowly but we think surely. Knowing the Sunday school to be the nursery of the church we feel sure there is no place better calculated to develop the minds of the young in holiness than is the Sunday school. Therefore we urge a more earnest effort on the part of parents in behalf of their children getting them into the Sunday school and not only getting the children into schols but in giving their own time, talent and means to this grand institution. God demands it of you.

Further we are happy to report our schools all using the Christian literature, and feel sure there is no other that is better suited for our work. Next to this we insist and urge a greater effort and more consecrated life on the part of those who are leaders and teachers in this glorious work of the Lord.

We recommend the Sunday school convention as held within the bounds of this work being worthy our time and attention to its meetings. Hoping that every one will avail themselves of the opportunity and privilege in attending the next meeting of this body which will be at Concord church.

In union there is strength.

C. H. SWANK.
J. S. MARTZ.
J. M. HUFFMAN.

The committee on education returned to the house and offered the following report which was adopted after being discussed by Dr. Herndon and the president:

RFPORT ON EDUCATION.

We your committee on education wish to submit the following:

We feel encouraged by the prospects now before us for the better education or our people. We can see increased interest in education manifested by all intelligent people, and those who a few years ago took no interest in education are being aroused to a sense of their duty on this line.

We see marked improvement in our public schools and we as a church need the same improvement. If we would be successful in our enterprises, we must be educated, and especially should have an educated ministry.

We most heartily endorse Elon College as a proper place for the education of our young men and women, and we feel thankful to that institution for the good work that is being done there for our conference.

Bro. C. H. Swank was before the committee for licensure and after examining him upon his call to the ministry and his answering such other questions as the board propounded to its satisfaction therefore we recommend that he be licensed as a probationer to preach the gospel. We further recommend that he study to prepare himself for the work he is now entering.

Bro. B. F. Black who is now in Elon College, N. C., we are glad to say, is progressing well and purposes completing his course in said school. Bro. J. S. Kagey did not come before the board but purposes continuing his studies and preparing himself for the work of the ministery.

E. T. ISELEY.
J. S. MARTZ.
C. A. HENTON.

The committee on religious lierature offered the following report which was adopted after being discussed by Bro. C. H. Swank, Revs. A. F. Iseley and W. T. Herndon:

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Your committee on religious literature submit the following report. Looking at our strength as a church from a religious standpoint we feel sorry to report to this body that we a band of Christian workers have done so little in the spreading of the truths of the Bible and not only that but in keeping our own hearts in the best frame for work we are almost left without words as to how to fill out this report.

Religious literature covers the whole ground as laid out for man's best purpose and highest sphere of existence in this world. It is a sad fact but none the less true, we have within our own bounds and within our reach those who to a great extent reject or refuse this literature, the religious literature, and take in its stead that literature which is neither moralizing nor Christianizing.

We have the printing press which should be one of the leading potent means in doing this grand work and could be made one source of truth and light which within itself would place man in a higher sphere and nearer the throne of God.

1. We recommend the word of God as the only infallible rule laid out for man's return to God, and commend it to all, urging a more consistent study of this word.

2. We also recommend THE CHRISTIAN SUN our church organ, which is highly edited and worthy of the patronage of all our members, and we urge an immediate action on the part of those who are not taking our church paper to subscribe at once.

3. We most heartily endorse the Herald of Gospel Liberty, recommending it to those of our people who would like to have a second church paper.

4. We also recommend the Sunday School Literature, published at Dayton,

Ohio, as a means of development and the growth of the better natures of our boys and gitls. Also such books as the Five Cardinal Principles, Facing the Truth, and others within our reach.

C. H. SWANK.
B. F. BLACK.

By request the chairman appointed a committee consisting of one member of each of the churches of conference to solicit subscriptions for THE CHRISTIAN SUN. The following were appointed: J. S. Martz, Thomas H. Showalter, D. J. Sipe and J. D. Hilliard.

On motion the Executive Committee was ordered to make a settlement with the ex-treasurer and place all funds now in his hands into the hands of the treasurer-elect.

On motion all money raised during the past year for Home Missions was ordered to be paid over to the treasurer.

The following resolution was offered and accepted.

Resolved, That we organize a home missionary society on the following plan, to wit: That each member upon joining the society be required to give an obligation as follows:

I hereby promise to pay the home missionary society of the Va. Valley Christian Conference the sum of.....dollars per year for five years.

Name.....

Date.....

That each church be requested to oraganize a local home missionary society, and report the result of the work to our Annual Conference.

On motion the chairman of the committee on foreign missions was ordered to forward the money raised for foreign missions during the past year to Rev. P. T. Klapp.

The president of conference proceeded to license Bro. C. H. Swank to preach.

The minutes of today's session were read and approved.

Conference adjourned to meet with the church at Concord, at 11 o'clock a. m. on Thursday before the first Sunday in September, 1894.

J. S. KAGEY, Sec. E. T. ISELEY, Pres.
Singers Glen, Va, Linville, Va.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Pastor.	Secretaries and their Post Office.	Pres member-ship.	No reported last session	Received since	Dismissed by letter	Withdrawn	Died	Expelled	No connected with S. S.	Amount paid pastor	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Other purposes	Total am't paid	Value of church Property.
Antioch,	E. T. Iseley.	J. S. Kagey, Singers Glen, Va.	89	88	6	1	2		2	63	$155.08	7.00	13.16	28.45	203.69	1500.00
Bethlehem,	E. T. Iseley.	J. W. Wampler, Broadway, Va.	99	95	1	2	5			94		5.00	4.00	28.00		1000.00
Concord,	E. T. Iseley.	J. S. Martz, Tenth Legion, Va.	28	26	6		4			52	28.40	1.00	1.00	2.50	32.90	500.00
Linville,	E. T. Iseley.	E. L. Depoy, Linville, Va.	88	88	5	2			3	95		2.24	2.25			1000.00
			304	297	18	5	11		5	304		15.24	20.41	83.00		4000.00

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
Seventy-Third Annual Session
OF THE
EASTERN VA. CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE.

MOUNT CARMEL CHRISTIAN CHURCH,
Oct. 31, 1893.

The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference met here today in its seventy-third annual session, and was called to order by Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., president of last session.

Roll of ministers called and responded to as follows:

Elders: J. P. Barrett, J. W. Barrett, H. H. Butler, M. W. Butler, R. H. Holland, M. L. Hurley, C. J. Jones, J. T. Kitchen, N. G. Newman, W. W. Staley.

LICENTIATES: R. D. H. Demarest, R. H. Peel, J. W. Rawls.

DELEGATES PRESENT: Antioch, B. P. Gay, J. A. Barrett; Berea (Norfolk): C. D. Woodard; Berea (Nansemond): W. L. Hefington; Berkley: J. A. McCloud, Jr. D. J. Bowden; Bethlehem: J W. Powell, J. T. Pruden, M. G. Williams; Burton's Grove: W. F. Laine, Miss Annie M. Laine; Cypress Chapel: Napoleon Brothers, J. R. Brinkley, J. T. Rountree; Damascus: J. R, Corbett, R. L. Speight; Eure's: Jno. S. Felton; Holland: J. W. Ballard, J. L. Holland; Johnson's Grove: Alexander Bradshaw, G. W. Pond; Mount Carmel: I. W. Duck, P. D. Powell, J. E, Johnson; Norfolk Mission: Col. A. Savage, J. C. Haynes, A. M. Eley; Providence: R. A. Hyslop; Union (Surry): Ira Connelly; Waverly: J. T. Harris: Windsor: F. C. Roberts.

Officers were elected as follows: president, Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D.; assistant secretary, Rev. N. G. Newman.

On motion the delivery of the annnal address was deferred to r2 o'clock tomorrow.

The rules of last session were adopted for use of the present session.

Rev. C. J. Jones, D. D., J. A. Barrett and D. J. Bowden were appointed a committee on resolutions.

Rev. N. G. Newman, A. Savage, and J. S. Felton were appointed a committee on assessments, to tabulate in one report the various assessments on the churches.

Rev. W. G. Clements, editor of THE CHRISTIAN SUN, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member, and responded in some felicitous remarks.

Ministerial reports were received from the following:

Elders: J. P. Barrett, J. W. Barrett, M. W. Butler, R. H. Holland, M. L. Hurley, C. J. Jones, N. G. Newman, W. W. Staley.

Licentiates: R. D. H. Demarest, W. J. Laine, R. H. Peel, J. W. Rawls.

Rev. M. W. Butler was elected collector to receive the various funds sent up by the churches and ordered to report same to this body. He was directed to perform his duties between the sittings of conference.

Adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order by the president.

On motion conference decided to adjourn tomorrow at 2 o'clock. p. m., for the Christian Missionary Association to have a meeting.

The following delegates were enrolled:

Antioch: T. J. Clements; New Lebanon: O. M. Cockes, P. E. Price; Oakland: J. J. Whitley; Berea (Nansemond): J. W. Jones, G. T. Rawls.

Church letters were called for, and on motion reading of same was dispensed with, and J. C. Haynes, R. H. Peel, and R. A. Hyslop were constituted a committee to summarize same.

Reports of fraternal messengers were called for with following response:

Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., had attended the North Carolina and Virginia conference. None of the messengers appointed had attended the other conferences.

Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., was elected to deliver the annual address next session, with Rev. N. G. Newman as alternate.

Conference decided to hold its next annual session with the Christian church at Holland, Va.

Rev. J. W. Rawls was appointed to fill the vacancy on committe on foreign missions.

Dr. C. J. Jones, J. A. Barrett and D. J. Bowden were appointed a committee on Memoirs.

The executive committee stated that having had no duties to perform since last session, consequently had no report to make.

The pastor and delegates of this church were constituted a committee on religious services.

On motion conference went into the election of delegates to the General Convention convening May 1894. It was ordered that this conference elect eleven delegates, six of these to be ministers and the remaining five laymen. Rev. M. L. Hurley, Dr. C. J. Jones and I. W. Duck were constituted a committee on nominations.

The nominating committee made the following report which was adopted;

Ministers: W. W. Staley, D. D., J. P. Barrett, D. D., M. L. Hurley, J. T. Kitchen, N. G. Newman, C. J. Jones, D. D.

Alternates: H. H. Butler, J. W. Barrett, M. W. Butler, Roger Charnock, R. H. Holland.

Laymen: I. W. Duck, Alex Savage, E. E. Holland, W. J. Lee, R. A. Hyslop.

Alternates. T. J. Lawrence. I. W. Norfleet, T. R. Gaskins, A. M. Eley, J. F. West.

Fraternal messengers were elected as follows:

To the North Carolina and Virgina Conference: Rev. H. H. Butler, J. T. Kitchen, M. L. Hurley.

To the Virginia Valley Conference: Revs. J. P. Barrett, D. D., J. W. Barrett, Deacon R. A. Hyslop.

To the Deep River Conference: Rev. M. L. Hurley.

To the Ga. and Ala. Conference, Rev. M. L. Hurley.

Adjourned to meet tomorrow at 10 o'clock, a. m.

SECOND DAY.

After devotional exercises conference was called to order by the president.

Roll called and minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Delegates were enrolled as follows:

Holy Neck: D. L. Darden; Suffolk: S. A. Baker, P. J. Kernodle; Mount Zion: G. W. Houghwout.

Rev. R. H. Holland was substituted as chairman of committee on memoirs.

Ministerial reports were received from the following:

Elders: H. H. Butler, Roger Charnock, J. T. Kitchen.

A petition from members of the Christian denomination at Wilmington, N. C., asking that a church be established there, was received and on motion referred to the committee on home missions.

The treasurer's report was submitted, read and referred to an auditing committee, composed of Col. A. Savage, R. A. Hyslop, and B. P. Gay.

D. J. Bowden and A. M. Eley were appointed to fill vacancies on committee on temperance.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Everythlng else being equal the literary attainments and efforts of an educational organization whether secular or religious are the measure of its present influence and prophetic of its future power.

We are living in an age of progression. Material and spiritual interests are rushing on to a crisis. Whether it be scientifically true or otherwise that the globe in which we live can never revolve again exactly along the same track over which it is now passing, it is true that as students, workers, and as Christians, mere repetition in thought and effort means death. To stand still is as certainly fatal to us as to turn back on the upward path of life.

The highest attainments of today must be made the starting points of tomorrow. Recognizing the fact that in the simplicity and purity of our principles, the dignity and importance of our mission as a church, we stand second to no ecclesiastical organization under the sun, it becomes a matter of supreme concern to consider here and now, whether in point of consecration, equipment, and effort we are responding as we should to the challenge of such principles, the trumpet call of such a responsible mission.

And since it is true that the literature of every organization is a true expression of not only the intelligence of the body but also, of the devotion and loyalty with which it seeks to disseminate its truths and bless the world with its advanced thought.

Therefore while we gladly recognize THE CHRISTIAN SUN as the official organ of the Christian church in the south, and cheerfully acknowledge the grand and good work accomplished by that journal in the past, we feel that it is incumbent upon us as a committee, conference and church to inquire:

1st. Is the literature of our church all we could desire it to be?

2nd. Is it reasonable for us to believe that by merely continuing the present grade of excellency in administration, contribution, and constituency we are meeting the demand of the time in which we live and honoring the truth we profess?

3rd. Is there anything which we as a conference can do to elevate the standard of excellency and so co-operate with our brother in charge of the paper as to make it all we could reasonably desire it to be in literary finish and spiritual efficiency?

Now, whereas the subject under consideration by this committee is of such general interest and great importance to the entire church, we therefore present the following resolution.

Be it resolved, That upon the subject matter of religious literature we go into a committee of the whole, respectfully asking that it be made the special order for a given hour.

C. J. JONES.
A. SAVAGE.
ROGER CHARNOCK.
Com.

On motion the report was referred to a committee of the whole to meet tonight at 7:30 o'clock.

The following delegates were enrolled:

Berea (Norfolk): G. M. Hall; Holy Neck: A. T. Holland.

The committee on assessments submitted their report and same was adopted: [See page 35.]

REPORT ON ASSESSMENTS.

Churches.	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Education	Superanuated Fund	Con and Pub Fund	Convention Fund	Total
Antioch,	75 00	15 00	20 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	125 00
Barretts,	15 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	31 00
Berea (Norfolk,)	30 00	10 00	15 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	64 00
Berea (Nansemond,)	80 00	15 00	20 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	130 00
Berkley,	20 00	10 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	44 00
Bethany,	25 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	44 00
Bethlehem,	50 00	12 00	12 00	4 00	4 00	4 00	86 00
Burton's Grove,	20 00	7 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	38 00
Centerville,	5 00	4 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	20 00
Cypruss Chapel,	70 00	15 00	20 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	120 00
Damascus,	40 00	10 00	15 00	4 00	4 00	4 00	77 00
Dendron,							
Eures,	15 00	6 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	35 00
Franklin,	10 00	6 00	5 00	4 00	4 00	4 00	33 00
Holland,	10 00	6 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	30 00
Holy Neck,	90 00	18 00	20 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	143 00
Isle of Wight C. H.	10 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	27 00
Ivor,	16 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	32 00
Johnson's Grove,	15 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	3 00	2 00	31 00
Liberty Spring,	35 00	8 00	10 00	3 00	2 00	3 00	62 00
Mount Carmel,	40 00	10 00	12 00	4 00	4 00	4 00	74 00
Mount Zion,	20 00	10 00	5 00	4 00	4 00	4 00	47 00
New Lebanon,	10 00	4 00	4 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	24 00
Norfolk Mission,			5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	20 00
Oakland,	30 00	6 00	10 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	55 00
Providence,	30 00	15 00	12 00	4 00	4 00	4 00	69 00
Spring Hill,	40 00	10 00	10 00	4 00	4 00	4 00	72 00
Suffolk,	90 00	15 00	15 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	135 00
Union (Southampton,)	10 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	26 00
Union (Surry,)	15 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	31 00
Waverly,	20 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	39 00
Windsor,	25 00	6 00	6 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	46 00
Total,	961 00	258 00	279 00	104 00	104 00	104 00	1810 00

Respectfully submitted,

N. G. NEWMAN,
ALEX SAVAGE,
JNO. S, FELTON,

Dr. Herndon of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

On motion it was ordered that the proceedings of this body be published in the Annual.

Rev. W. L. Richards, Pastor of the Baptist church at Windsor, Va., was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

Delegates arrived and were enrolled as follows:

Isle of Wight C. H.; L. H. Whitley; Antioch: J. W. Roberts, Sr.; Franklin: I. W. Norfleet, D. D. Rawls; Liberty Spring: R. F. Rodgers, I. T. Byrd.

Moved, that this conference memoralize the General Convention of the Christian Church South, requesting it to prepare for all Conferences within its bounds uniform certificates of licensure and ordination of such style and quality of material as shall command the recognition of other ecclestiastical bodies, and shall be more in accord with the dignity and importance of such credentials.—N. G. Newman.

Discussed and adopted.

L. H. Whitley, J. W. Johnson and Rev. M. L. Hurley were appointed delegates to the Christian Missionary Association.

The time having arrived for the delivery of the annual address. Conference adjourned subject to the call of chair.

THIRD DAY.

After Religious exercises conducted by Rev. Roger Charnock Conference met with Dr. J. P. Barrett in the chair.

The roll was called and minutes of yesterday's session read and approved.

Delegates enrolled as follows: Suffolk: E. E. Holland, Isle of Wight C. H.; R. L. Spivey.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

Your committee of the whole, to whom was submitted the question of Religious Literature, report that we had a free and frank discussion of our needs and necessities, as a conference, bringing out the facts in the situation,

which we have submitted to the Publication Committee of the General Convention, with a request to submit the same to that body in its next session.

J. PRESSLEY BARRETT, chairman.
M. W. BUTLER, Secretary.

Adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

There is a beauty in temperance like that portrayed in virtue and in truth. I is a close ally of both and like them has that allpervading essence and quality which chastens the feeling, invigorates the mind and displays the perfection of the soul in the very aspect. Like water from the rill, rain from the clouds, or light from the heavenly bodies, the thought issues pure from within, refreshing, unsullied, and radiant. Temperance keeps the senses clear and unembarassed, and makes them seize the object with more keenness and satisfaction. Therefore be ye temperate in all things.

Temperance as a virtue dwells in the heart. It consists in a rigid subjection of every inward feeling and power to the rule of reason. He who would be thoroughly temperate must master himself. His passions must be his subjects obeying his will. From the heart he must be temperate. He must remember that the intemperance slope is an almost imperceptible one, and that he may be gliding down it when he dreams of naught but safety. However to established thoroughly and widely the principle of temperance we must begin with the youth—they have a high aspiration to be good and true. They see a glory in the path of right. Freedom is a word of power in their ears—Virture has many charms not only for their hearts but for their imaginations. They have health, competeney and happiness. They are ambitious of every good. When the true principles of temperance are established in early life and made the controlling power through life, they ensure health, respectability, honor, virtue, usefulness, and happiness, all for which true men live or hope for in this life.

Therefore be it resolved, That we do all in our power to instill in the minds of the young the temperance cause—that, it be taught in the Sunday school and in the church—that it be taught at home, around the fireside and practiced in our daily life. Thus will religion assert her mild and gentle sway; peace float her olive wreath in every nation; wisdom, divine and time-honored, shed everywhere her glorious light. A race of men and women, full of rosy health, strong and symmetrical, beautiful as the artist's model, pure virtuous, wise, affectionate full of honor, and lofty principle, will grow up, into communities and nations, and make the earth bloom and rejoice in more than Eden gladness. A new heaven and a new earth will surround us with beauty and arch us over with glory, for the old will have passed away.

D. J. BOWDEN,
J. T. KITCHEN,
A. M. ELEY,
Com.

Discussed by D. J. Bowden, J. A. McCloud, Jr., Revs. Roger Charnock, J. T. Kitchen, and adopted.

The committee on Sabbath schools submitted their report and after discussion it was referred back to the committee for revision.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

A few years ago, the work of Foreign Missions was taken up by the churches, North and South, East and West, and by their united efforts Rev. D. F. Jones and wife were sent to Japan to preach the Gospel to the heathens.

A short time after this, Rev. H. J. Rhodes and wife were sent, who joined in the good work with Bro. and sister Jones. During the latter part of 1893 Rev. A. D. Woodworth, A. M., his wife and Miss C. Tena Penrod were sent to Japan, where they entered the work with these brothers and sisters. Much good has already been done in Japan, yet there is still a greater work to do, and to do this work it requires a greater effort upon our part, in the way of earnest prayer and money. We must pray more and give more to the support of our Foreign work. Bro. Jones and wife have quit the field, but the work has been faithfully carried on by Bro. Woodworth, wife, and Miss Penrod.

Last year there were about 38 or 40 preaching places and native preachers in charge of these places. These native preachers, we learn, are very zealous in the work of saving souls. We must sustain this good work. Therefore Resolved, that we will pray more and give more to the support of our Foreign work.

We are sorry to learn that some of our churches, owing to the financial pressure, have failed to raise the amounts assessed them by this body at our last conference, Therefore, we recommend, that the pastors and deacons of each church for the coming year, see that the assessments made by this body be raised and sent up to the next annual meeting.

We now have in Japan a regular organized Conference and also a religious newspaper.

Respectfully submitted,

H. H. BUTLER,
DAVID MCCLENNY,
J. W. RAWLS,
Com.

Adopted.

Rev. A. D. Hunter of the Missionary Baptist church was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

The question of Annuals, at this juncture, was taken up. On motion Prof. P. J. Kernodle was appointed to solicit subscriptions from this body for the same.

The report of committee on Sabbath schools was resubmitted and adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We know of no church in the bounds of our Conference without a Sabbath school in connection with its work for Christ. Some of our churches are accomplishing great good through the Sunday school, while others are doing very little—almost nothing. We believe our quarterlies, properly used, would be a blessing to our schools but used as they are, we fear they fail to have the desired effect. We think many of our scholars study the quarterly more than they do the Bible itself. So many think they have learned ii all, when they have simply learned the answers to the questions as laid down n the lesson helps, while they have failed to get the application. We ought to study the Bible prayerfully and carefully. Looking at it from our standpoint we feel constrained to call upon our schools—

1st. To elect only such men for leaders and teachers as are dear lovers of God and His word.

2nd. If a choir is necessary in order to get the singing done, select it from only those who love Jesus and show their love for Him in their every day life.

3rd. Have a fixed hour to open school, and open it promptly on time.

4th. We recommend that all our schools be continued through the winter.

5th. Teach liberality and so raise all the money you can to support the school and the Missionary Association in its effort to build up the Zion of God.

6th. Trust in the living God for real success and not in the wisdom of men, and so going on and looking up you shall find that God gives his spirit and power to those that obey him.

J. W. BARRETT,
I. W. NORFLEET,
J. W. JOHNSON,

The hour having arrived for preaching by Dr. Jones as announced yesterday afternoon by the committee on Religious Exercises, Conference adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by Dr. Barrett.

Rev. Mr. Green of the M. E. church was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

F. L. Portlock delegate from Providence arrived and was enrolled.

It was ordered that the secretary draw an order on the Treasurer for ten dollars ($10.00) to pay services of a nurse to Rev. S. S. Barrett during his illness.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The number of our young people now in the College and recently graduated therefrom justifies us in reporting favorable upon the educational progress of our conference. This condition is a hopeful prophecy of our future growth. The necessity of sustaining our educational work forces itself upon us as never before. No society can live and grow in this period of universal progress without its training center. The church must keep abreast of civil institutions. Our young people must be educated. Intelligent activity must characterize our efforts for the salvation of sonls and the glory of God. Our bush must burn with the divine presence and be vocal with the divine voice. God must be at the center of our training for praise and for work. We need such culture of head and heart as cannot be discounted by panics or left behind in the race.

I. Elon College is the acknowledged center of our scholastic efforts. This institution is now in its fourth year, having won the confidence of society as no other school has in so short a time. It has a faculty of ten members who do the best of work. There are three literary societies with enthusiastic memberships and elegantly furnished halls. The moral and religious tone among the students merits our praise. The only bar to larger usefulness is a lack of money. Liberality toward Elon College must be cultivated till all debt is removed and a permanent endowment is secured.

II. Suffolk Collegiate Institute has been re-opened by Prof. P. J. Kernodle as a school for boys. The buildings are ample and well suited to school comfort and work, and he is ably assisted by good teachers. The school is worthy of patronage and can be made a feeder to Elon College.

Revs. R. H. Peel and J. W. Rawls, graduates of Elon, have decided to labor

as licentiates another year before applying for ordination. We commend them to the favorable consideration of churches needing ministerial service.

J. H. Jones will graduate from Elon next June, and we recommend his licensure under the direction of the President of conference.

Licentiate, R. D. H. Demarest, has decided to spend a year in the country to build up his physical health with a view of entering college next September.

We recommend the following appropriations! for present scholastic year:

W. J. Laine, licentiate - - - - - - - - - - -	$100.00
J. W. Harrell - - - - - - - - - - - -	75.00
	$175.00

L. L. Lassiter is detained from college this year by the sickness of his father. Circumstances prevent Ira Connelly from entering school this year, but his purpose looks to that end.

Upon the recommendation of the Mount Carmel church, we have enrolled I. W. Johnson, now in Elon College, as a member of the Biblical class.

Rev. R. H. Peel has received as a loan from the Educational fund $299.50 and Rev. J. W. Rawls 425.00.

Rev. C. C. Peel has paid in full the money loaned him from this fund $170.00.

W. . STALEY,
N. G. NEWMAN,
M. W. BUTLER,
Com.

The report was discussed by Rev. N. G. Newman, Prof. P. J. Kernodle, Rev. M. W. Butler, Dr. W. T. Herndon of the N. C. and Va. Conference, Dr. C. J. Jones, I. W. Duck, and adopted.

It was announced that the Christian Missionary Association would meet in this church tonight at 7 o'clock.

Dr. Staley was announced to preach tomorrow at 12 o'clock. Adjourned to 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

FOURTH DAY.

Conference called to order by the President.

Roll called and minutes of yesterday's session read and approved.

YOUR AUDITORY COMMITTEE REPORT

They have examined the Treasurer's report and find proper vouchers for amounts paid out, and correct balances brought down.

A. SAVAGE,
B. P. GAY,
R. A. HYSLOP,
Com.

TREASURER'S REPORT,

WM. H. JONES, JR., Treasurer, in account with
The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

HOME MISSION FUND.

		Dr.	Cr.
1892.			
Oct. 31.	To Balance	$15.53	
Nov. 5.	" Conference collections	642.10	
Nov. 8.	" Collections from Ivor	5.00	
Nov. 26.	" Collection through Rev. N. G. Newman	8.00	
Nov. 7.	By cash paid A. Savage		$195.00
Nov. 7.	" " " A. Savage Treasurer		100.00
Nov. 7.	" " " T. R. Gaskins Treasurer		30.00
Nov. 23.	" " " J. P. Barrett		15.90
1893.			
Feb. 4.	" " " A. Savage Treasurer		100.00
May. 8.	" " " A. Savage Treasurer		100.00
Aug. 4.	" " " A. Savage		100 00
	Balance Oct. 31, 1893		29.73
		$670.63	670.65

CONVENTION FUND.

1892.			
Oct. 31.	To Balance	9.95	
Nov. 5.	" Collections Conference	19.21	
Nov. 8.	" Collection from Ivor	80	
Nov. 26.	" " " Rev. N. G. Newman	90	
	Balance Oct. 31—1893		30.85
		$30.86	30.86

FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

1892.			
Oct. 31.	To Balance	237.35	
Nov. 5.	" Conference collections	184.57	
Nov. 8.	" Collection from Ivor	5.00	
Nov. 26.	" " per Rev. N. G. Newman	4.00.	
Nov. 29.	By cash paid A. Moring Treasurer		200.00
	Balance Oct. 31—1893.		230.92
		430.92	430.92

SUPERANNUATED FUND.

1892.			
Oct. 31.	To Ralance	11.89	
Nov. 5.	" Collections conference	31.33	
Nov. 8.	" Collection from Ivor	1.28	
Nov. 21.	" " " " Suffolk	5.00	
Nov. 21.	" " " " Bethlehem	4.00	
Nov. 23.	" " " " Antioch	5.00	
Nov. 26.	" " " " per Rev. N. G. Newman	1.27	
Nov. 26.	" " " " from Berea (Nans'd)	5.00	
Nov. 29	" " " " New Lebanon	2.51	
1893.			
Jan. 21.	" " " " Holy Neck	5.00	
Feb. 23.	" " " " Franklin	1·00	

1892.			
Nov. 16.	By cash paid Rev. S. S. Barrett		15.00
1893.			
Feb. 7.	" " " " " "		15.00
May 8.	" " " " " "		15.00
Aug. 16.	" " " " " "		15.00
	Balance Oct. 31 1893		13.28
		$73.28	$73.28

CONFERENCE AND PUBLICATION FUND.

1892.			
Oct. 31.	To Balance	35.41	
Nov. 5.	" Conference collections	67.82	
Nov. 8.	" Collections from Iver	65	
Nov. 26.	" " per Rev. N. G. Newman	1.65	
Nov. 7.	By cash paid T. J Lawrence secretary		5.19
Dec. 10.	" " " Rev. N. G. Newman		4.04
Dec. 29.	" " " Christian Publishing Association		1.08
1893.			
Feb. 25.	" " " Christian Publishing Association		4 32
April 15.	" " " Clements & Mood		60.00
June 8.	" " " Christian Publishing Association		2.40
	Balance Oct. 31—1893		28.50
		$105.53	$105.53

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

1892.			
Oct. 31.	To Balance	252 44	
Nov. 5.	" Conference collections	172.50	
Nov. 8.	" Collection from Ivor	3.00	
Nov. 26.	" " per Rev. N. G. Newman	2.50	
1893.			
Oct. 2.	" Amount from Rev. C. C. Peel	170.00	
1896.			
Nov. 23.	By cash paid L. L. Lassiter		50.00
Nov. 23.	" " " R. H. Peel		50.00
Nov. 23.	" " " W. J. Laine		50.00
Nov. 23.	" " " J. W. Rawls		50.00
1893.			
Feb. 18.	" " " J. W. Rawls		50.00
Feb. 18.	" " " R. H. Peel		50.00
Feb. 18.	" " " L. L. Lassiter		50.00
Feb. 18	" " " W. J. Laine		50.90
	Balance Oct. 31---1893		200.44
		$600.44	$600.44

SUMMARY.

Home Missions	29.73	
Convention Fund	30.86	
Foreign Missions	230.92	
Superannuated Fund	13.28	
Conference and Publication Fund	28.50	
Educational Fund	200.44	
		$533.73

F. L. Portlock was apppointed to fill vacancy in committee on Home Missions.

The President announced the standing committees as follows:

Education: C. J. Jones, M. W. Butler, N. G. Newman:

Home Missions: J. P. Barrett, E. E. Holland, R. A. Hyslop.

Foreign Missions: R. H. Holland. J. W. Rawls, I. W. Norfleet.

Temperance: J. T. Kitchen, H. H. Butler, Jno. S. Felton.

Religious Literature: C. J. Jones, A. Savage, D. J. Bowden.

Sabbath Schools: Roger Charnock, J. W. Barrett, O. M. Cockes.

Executive Committee: N. G. Newman, J. T. Kitchen H, H. Butler.

On motion the President of this body was added to the Executive and Educational committees as chairman of each.

The following resolution was adopted.

RESOLVED: That the pastors of the several churches composing this conference have their church conference reports prepared at their last session with the assessments, and see that the same is reported the first day of the annual session.—A. SAVAGE.

That we most respectfully request Conference to set apart the afternoon on the third day of the next session of this conference for the Missionary Associatian Anniversary, that a suitable program be prepared under the direction of the corresponding secretary of the Missionary Association and that the time and program be announced in the CHRISTIAN SUN.

C J JONES,
ROGER CHARNOCK,
D. J. BOWDEN,
Com.

It was announced that 485 copies of annuals had been subscribed for.

On motion it was ordered that funds in hand for Annuals be placed to the credit of the Conference and Publication fund and that 600 copies of same be printed and that the remainder (115) be placed in the hands of Rev. M. L. Hurley, corresponding secretary of the Christian Missionary Association, for distribution.

The committee on Resolutions submitted the following which was unanimously adopted.—

That the Eastern Virginia Christian conference return to the members of Mount Carmel Christian church, an expression of our hearty appreciation and sincere thanks for the most thorough and happy entertainment of our conference and visitors during its present session, and record our prayer that abundant and spiritual blessings may rest upon the community and church in which we have spent so many pleasant and profitable hours.

The committee to tabulate church lefters submitted their report and on motion the report was approved.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

Since the last meeting of this conference a watchman has fallen, Rev. S. S. Barrett, a brother beloved has gone from labor to reward has laid down the cross to receive the crown of glory in Heaven.

Rev. Stephen Smith Barrett was the son of Rev. Mills Barrett a Christian minister, and grandson of Rev. Burwell Barrett, one of the early pioneers of the Christian church, and a co-laborer with Rev. James O'Kelly.

The subject of this memoir begun his ministry in the Christian church about the year 1845. And whilst he made an occasional visit, to perhaps all the churches then composing the Eastern Virginia conference, and preached as opportunity offered, his labors were somewhat circumscribed, or confined principally to Norfolk county. Bro. Barrett we think was pastor of the Berkley church, or Jerusalem as it was then called, from its organization, to within about a decade before his death. He also organized a church called Liberty, two miles from Norfolk, of which he was pastor a number of years. He also organized a church called we think Pleasant Ridge, several miles from Norfolk. He also, preached we think at a place called Bear Quarter, and perhaps at several other places, as he greatly loved his church and had much of the self-sacrificing missionary spirit. Bro. Barrett's preaching was of the old fashion, Virginia, practical Holy Ghost style. He was not only much esteemed for his work's sake, but for his consistent and holy life. He was contemporary with Revs. Wm. A. Jones, Robert Rawls, and Wm B Wellons, members of this Conference who passed on before him at the Master's call.

R. H. HOLLAND,
J. A. BARRETT,
D. J. BOWDEN,
Com.

Euloges were pronounced on the deceased by Revs. R. H. Holland, H. H. Butler, J T kitchen, Roger Charnock, and Drs. Barrett and Jones, and then the report was adopted.

The report of committee on Home Missions was submitted, taken up item by item, and on motion adopted as a whole.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

1. Your messenger sent to Roanoke from the last session of this body made a visit to that city in December, 1892. He found an inviting field, but we have not the funds in hand necessary to undertake it as a mission.

2. The petition from Wilmington, N. C., we recommend be sent to the N. C. and Va. Conference, as Wilmington is in the territory of that Conference. We would rejoice to see a church established in that city.

3. The Norfolk Mission is prospering under the blessings of God in a most satisfactory manner They will soon have completed an admirable house of worship, while their membership is nearing 300. we believe in another year this mission will be self sustaining. For the present conference year we recommend the appropriation to the support of this mission the sum of $400 00, and we urge everyone, who can, to lend them a helping hand in the gift of money to complete their house of worship.

4. we recommend that the sum of $75 00 be paid to Rev. R. H. Peel, to enable him to do missionary work in connection with his labors as Pastor of Bethany, the same to be done under the direction of the committee on Home Missions of this body.

5. we recommend that the remainder of the Home Mission funds now in hand be applied toward the payment of the interest due on money loaned to purchase the land for the Norfolk mission.

J. P. BARRET,
T. R., GASKINS,
F. L. PORTLOCK,
Com.

It was ordered that the secretary draw on the treasurer for $2.98 for bill rendered.

*The report is embodied in the statistical table.—Sec.

The report was approved.*

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Amounts collected during the present session of conference:

Home Missions	$ 515 14.
Foreign Missions,	127 73.
Educational Fund	156 80.
Superannuated Fund	53 49.
Convention Fund,	21 93.
Conference and Publication Fund	83 00.
Establishment of Schools	4 00.
Total	$962 09.

M. W. BUTLER,
Collector.

It was ordered that the amount $4.00 reported by the collector for establishment of Schools be given to Elon College through its financial agent, Dr. W. T. Herndon

On motion conference adjourned to meet with the Christian church at Holland, Va., on Tuesday before the first Sunday in November, 1894, at 11 o'clock, a. m.

T. J. LAWRENCE, Sec. W. W. STALEY, Pres.
South Quay, Va. Suffolk, Va.

N. G. NEWMAN, Ass't Sec.
Suffolk, Va.

MINISTERIAL REPORT, 1892-'93.

Ministers.	No churches	No Sermons	No Lectures	No Pry'r M'gs	No conv'rt'ns in charge	No Pas Visits	No Funerals	No Marriages	Amount of Salary
J P Barrett,	3	100	20	20	30				825 00
J W Barrett,	4	70	10		77		4	4	275 00
H H Butler,	6	115			73	336	19	29	1000 00
M W Butler,	5	74			30		7	13	450 00
Roger Charnock,	1	103	9	46		18	20	14	600 00
M L Hurley,	1	14							126 50
R H Holland,		5					3	5	
C J Jones,	1	125	60	52		816			1600 00
J T Kitchen,	5	100	50			200	9	14	600 00
N G Newman,	2	66	2		18	209	5	4	566 90
W W Staley,	1	100		40		300	26	7	1200 00
R D H Demarest,	2	61	10	15	83	98	2		173 00
W J Laine,	2	45		15	16	25	4		80 95
R H Peel,		19		7			1		
J W Rawls,		20	3	5					

STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches.	Pastors.	Secretaries and their Post-offices.	Pres membership	No r'p'd last sess	Recived since	Dismissed	Withdrawn	Died.	Suspended	Expelled	Amount paid Pastor	Estab Schools	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Education	Super'nua'ed F'd	Con and Pub F'd	Convention Fund	Other Purposes	Total Amount	Value of Church Property
Antioch,	J P Barrett,	T J Clements, Windsor, Va.	330	324	11	1		1		3	300 00		7 75		1 76					309 51	2000 00
Barretts,																					
Berea (Norfolk,)	J P Barrett.	M W Hollowell, Great Bridge, Va.	125	128	8	1		1		9	313 37		16 00	7 00	10 00	1 50	1 50	1 38	40 00	390 75	1500 00
Berea (Nansemond,)	N G Newman,	F M Arthur, Deanes, Va.	147	142	5			1			350 00		80 00	15 00	20 00	6 00	2 00	2 00		475 00	5000 00
Berkley,	Roger Charnock,	B F Townsend, Berkley, Va.	99	136	4	3	1	2		35	600 00		20 00	10 00	5 00		3 00		1400 00	2038 00	7000 00
Bethany,	M L Hurley,	T J Lawrence, South Quay, Va.	73	72	2			1			126 50		14 54	5 00	10 00	1 00	1 00		25 00	138 04	1800 00
Bethlehem,	H H Butler,	J W Faulk, Suffolk, Va.	255	271	1	1	11	4		1	200 00		12 00	3 00	5 00		1 47	1 00	30 72	253 19	1600 00
Burton's Grove,	M W Butler,	J A Stevenson, Airfield, Va.	120	110	15	2		3			100 00		7 00			2 00				109 00	1000 00
Centerville,	M W Butler,	A T Hatch, Disputuata, Va.	24	32			4	2		2	25 33									25 33	225 00
Cypress Chapel,	H H Butler,	W A King, Suffolk, Va.	307	309	16	6	2	9		1	225 00		30 00	2 21	8 11	2 07	1 00	33	150 00	418 72	2500 00
Damascus,	H H Butler,	J R Corbett, Sunbury, N. C.	261	274	2	1	12				225 00		13 00	1 01	83	2 03	1 00	77	26 00	269 64	1000 00
Dendron,																					
Eures,	H H Butler,	J A Sportman, Eures, N. C.	126	127	1			2			75 00									75 00	1000 00
Franklin,	J T Kitchen,	D P Rawls, Franklin, Va	43	28	16			1			175 00		10 00	6 00	5 00	4 00	2 00	2 00	153 86	357 86	3000 00
Holland,	R D H Demarest,	R H Holland, Holland, Va.	187	156	33			1			100 00		10 00	6 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	1 00	30 00	158 00	1200 00
Holy Neck,	N G Newman,	F B Norfleet, Holland, Va.	459	445	19	4		1			216 90		90 00	18 00	20 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	74 20	434 10	3000 00
Isle of Wight C. H,	J T Kitchen,	R L Spivey, Isle of Wight, Va.	68	76			1	2		5	68 00		3 12			3 12				74 24	2000 00
Ivor,	M W Butler,	J W Brittle, Ivor, Va.	63	62	3		1	1			100 00		8 00	2 00	4 00	45	28	30	42 00	157 03	1000 00
Johnson's Grove,	J W Barrett,	J W Johnson, Vicksville, Va.	108	101	17	3	1			6	103 30		1 75	2 23	1 74	2 10	50	50	30 00	142 12	600 00
Liberty Spring,	J T Kitchen,	F E Parker, Savage Crossing, Va.	191	192	6	1	3	2		1	150 00		4 00	3 00	3 00	1 68	50		96 17	258 35	1400 00
Mount Carmel,	J T Kitchen,	P D Howell, Windsor, Va	293	252	32	1	3	3			150 00		12 00	5 00	10 36	1 91				179 27	1000 00
Mount Zion,	H H Butler,	G W Houghwout, Crittenden, Va.	77	61	16		2	1			150 00		20 00	2 50	5 00	1 00	75	75	130 28	310 28	300 00
New Lebanon,	J W Barrett,	O M Cockes, Spottsville, Va.	78	61	22		4			1	65 30		3 16	2 00	1 00		50	50		72 46	1000 00
Norfolk Mission,	C J Jones,	T A Jones, Norfolk, Va.	273	209	68	2		2			1600 00				5 00	5 00	5 00		672 45	2287 45	
Oakland,	H H Butler,	A L Saunders, Everetts, Va.	143	129	23	2	7				150 00		7 82						800 00	957 82	2000 00
Providence,	J P Barrett,	F L Portlock, Norfolk, Va.	76	79			2	1			350 00		30 00	15 00	12 00	4 00			50 00	461 00	2500 00
Spring Hill,																					
Suffolk,	W W Staley,	B F Cutchin, Suffolk, Va.	302	299	11	5		3			1200 00		90 00	15 00	15 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	10786 59	12121 59	24000 00
Union (Southampton,)																					
Union (Surry,)	J W Barrett,	C W Whitmore, Dendron, Va.	96	90	16		2	1		7	100 00		80 00	4 28	2 00	1 56	50	40		116 68	1000 00
Waverly,	M W Butler,	T W Johnson, Waverly, Va.	61	61	3	1	2				150 00		5 00	1 50	2 00	1 13				159 63	1500 00
Windsor,	J T Kitchen,	M L Watkins, Windsor, Va.	55	59	1	2			3		100 00	4 00	12 00	2 00	5 00		1 00	1 00	25 00	150 00	2000 00

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

DEEP RIVER CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE,

IN ITS

TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION.

PARKS X ROADS, RANDOLPH COUNTY, N. C.
Nov. 9, 1893.

The Deep River Christian Conference met here today in its twenty-seventh annual session, and was called to order by Rev. W. W. Hayworth, president of last session.

Elders present: Revs, H. A. Albright, W. W. Hayworth, E. H. Jarrell, J. S. Lawrence, W. W. Lawrence. W. B. Richardson,, J. W. Patton, J. A. Webster, W. R. Brown, and H. T. Moffitt.

Elders absent: J. A. Scott, W. M. Craven, J. A. Cooper, A. S. Nelson and S. H. Way.

Licentiates present: B. F. Kern, W. R. Julian, J H. Wright, D. R. Stinson, M. A. Baldwin, W. N. Hayes and S. T. Moffitt. Absent: J. R. Comer and Henry Vuncannon,

Churches and delegates: Pleasant Grove: Isaac F. Brady, Wyatt Brady, W. F. Bray; Park's X Roads: C. W. Burgess, Oliver Vestal; Smithwood: P. C. Humble, W. W. Way; Pleasant Ridge: S. E. Allen, John Black; New Center: Wright Davis; Shady Grove: Geo. W. Cochran; Shiloh: J. S. Fesmire, W. H. Yaw; Antioch:

T. M. Brady, J. M. Fox; Christian Union:——; Pleasant Cross: W. J. Coward; Union Grove: R. F. Brown, H. F. Way; Big Oak: D. F. Morgan, C. D. Williamson; Pleasant Union: G. M. Griffin, W. A. Tysinger; Brown's Chapel: Critten Saunders, J. R. McNeill; New Bear Creek:——; Staley:——; Patterson's Grove:——;Macedonia:——, Spoon's Chapel: ——; Mt. Union:——; St. John's: ——.

A quorum being present, conference elected permanent officers as follows: Revs. J. W. Patton, president, and H. A. Albright, vice-president.

On motion Revs.——McCulloch of the M. P. church, W. G. Clements of the N. C. and Va. Christian Conference, and Bro. John Tysinger were invited to seats as deliberative members. The brethren accepted in appropriate remarks.

On motion conference suspended business to hear the annual address by Rev. J. W. Patton, Jonah 1-6. "What meanest thou, oh sleeper, arise, call upon thy God, if so be that God will think upon us, that we perish not."

Conference resumed business.

On motion the Rev. M. L. Hurley, of the Eastern Va. Conference, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

The chair appointed the following committee to collect the money for the Annual: Bros. Geo. Cochran, P. C. Humble and J. R. Parks.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your committe would report that no business has claimed our attention since last conference

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. ALBRIGHT,
J. S. LAWRENCE,
H. T. MOFFIT,
W. W. HAYWORTH.

Time for meeting:

On motion conference meet at 9 o'clock, a. m. and adjourn at will.

The chair called for the the church letters and on motion their reading was deferred till 9 o'clock, a. m, tomorrow.

The chair appointed the following as a committee on religious exercises: Oliver Vestal, C. W. Burgess and Rev. J. S. Lawrence.

On motion conference adjourned to meet tomorrow at 9 a. m.

Religious exercises conducted by Rev. W. R. Brown.

SECOND DAY.

9 a. m. Conference met according to adjournment. President in the chair. Religious exercises conducted by Rev. T. F. McCullock, of the M. P. church.

According to a motion on yesterday, the secretary was ordered to read the church letters.

Bros. Manley Pugh, delegate from Pleasant Cross, G. H. Kinsey, a delegate from Spoons Chapel, and B. F. Harden, delegate Patterson's Grove, arrived and were enrolled. The committee on religious exercises reported that Rev. W. G. Clements would preach in the house at 12 m. today.

The committee on Foreign Missions made their report as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your committee on foreign missions submit the following report:

we have the great commision from our Saviour: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," This command is to us as a church. We all admit that it is our duty to do all that we can to enlighten and save the lost, but how few of us are willing to deny ourselves of any worldly pleasure to save money to supply the wants of our missions.

Our people can find money to pay their way to the world's fair, ride on excursion trains, and even to pay their way into the circus show, etc., but not many of us have learned how to save money to pay God's claims on us for missions. Our people need to be taught on the subject of missions. We therefore insist that our ministers teach the people, both by precept and example to give up their means to send the gospel to those who have it not. Our missionaries in Japan report that the outlook for doing good in that field was never better. One of the encouraging features of the work is, as the natives are being converted, many of them are going forward in the great work of teaching and preaching the gospel of Christ. As money is a power in this mission work, we your committee insist that each church raise the amount asked for below for Foreign Missions: Brown's Chapel, $5; Antioch, $2; Pleasant Grove, $8; Parks X Roads, $8; Smithwood, $5; Pleasant Ridge, $6; Union,, $6; New Center, $2; Christian Union, 3; Shady Grove, 5; Big Oak 5; St. Johns, 2; Patterson's Grove, 2; Macedonia, 2; Mt. Union, 2; Spoon's Chapel 2; Shiloh, 8; Pleasant Union, 2.

W. B. RICHARDSON,
W. W. LAWRENCE,
J. A. WEBSTER.

The report was adopted after being debated by Bros. W. B. Richardson, W. G. Clements, W. W. Hayworth, W. R. Brown, and Bro. M. A. Baldwin.

Alfred Hamilton, delegate from Spoon's Chapel, and E. M. Marley, delegate from Patterson's Grove, arrived and were enrolled. Rev. S. H. Way arrived and took his seat.

The committee on Sabbath Schools made the following report:

REPORT ON S. SCHOOLS.

We your committee on S. S. would report we are glad to say that there is a growing interest in our bounds in the S. S. work. There are more engaged in the work now than at any previous time. The county and township associations have been well attended, and good interest manifested by our people especially, we recommend this work as we believe it has a tendency to union in the work.

Our annual S. S. Convention was held the 5th Sunday in July with good interest. We regret that several of our S. S. were not represented, and feel that they lost much that could have been their gain. We urge the necessity of all S. S. being represented in our annual S. S. Convention. While we feel encouraged and believe the work is prospering we are sure that there is a great work yet to be accomplished. We therefore urge all Christians to come to the front in this grand army.

We recommend the use of the International Lesson Helps, as published at Dayton, Ohio, would also recommend the use of good Libraries and S. S. Literature.

L. E. BRADY,
S. H. WAY,
B. F. KERN.
Com.

The above report was debated by Bro. L. E. Brady, Rev. W. W. Hayworth, Bros. W. N. Hayes and W. R. Julian, and was adopted.

On motion Revs. W. T. Herndon and W. S. Long, of the N. C. and Va. Christian Conference being present were invited to seats as deliberative members, of which they accepted with very appropriate remarks.

Bro. E. A. Moffitt, treasurer of conference, arrived and took his seat.

On motion Bro. W. R. Julian was appointed to preach the next annual sermon.

On motion Shiloh was selected for holding the next session of this conference.

On motion conference adjourned for preaching by the Rev. W. G. Clements.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference convened. President in the chair.

On motion the chair appointed the following a committee on union and division: Rev. W. W. Hayworth, Bros. E. A. Moffitt and Oliver Vestal.

The chair granted Rev. M. L. Hurley of the Eastern Va. conference time to present the cause of the Missionary Association, followed by Dr. Herndon, Prof. E. L. Moffitt and Rev. W. W. Hayworth.

Bros. M. A. McNeil and Wm. Cagle delegates from Christian Union arrived and took their seats.

The Asheboro Christian church petitioned for admission into this conference as a member. The petition was granted and enrolled, Bro. E. A. Moffitt as a delegate.

On motion the committee on Temperance granted till tomorrow morning to hand in their report.

On motion Revs. W. W. Hayworth, J. W. Patton and Prof. E. L. Moffitt were elected delegates to represent the Deep River Conference in the next General Convention and Rev. J. S. Lawrence and Bro. J. R. Parks were elected alternates.

On motion Conference elected Revs. E. H. Jarrell, W. W. Hayworth and J. W. Patton fraternal messengers to the N. C. and Va. Christian Conference.

On motion Conference adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Religious exercises by Dr. W. S. Long.

THIRD DAY.

Conference convened and called to order by the President. Dr. W. T. Herndon conducted religious services.

Minutes of yesterday were read and approved. The Committee on Union and Division made their report as follows:

REPORT ON UNION AND DIVISION.

"We, the undersigned members of your committee on the Union and Division' question, believing that union with the N. C. and Va. Christian Conference, followed by an equitable division of the then united bodies, will subserve the best interests of both Conferences, beg leave to submit the following report:

1st. That a committee of three, consisting of two ministers and one layman,

be appointed from this conference to attend the next session of the N. C. and Va. Conference and, after satisfactory arrangements for said division, ask that this, the Deep River Conference, be united to the N. C. and Va. Conference.

2nd. That committee be empowered to unite with a similar committee from the N. C. and Va. Conference in memoralizing the General Convention of the Christian church south, and pray for an equitable division of the bodies thus united."

W. W. HAYWORTH,
E. A. MOFFITT,
OLIVER VASTAL,
Com.

The above report was debated by Rev. W. W. Hayworth, Bro. E. A. Moffitt, H. A. Albright, J. R. Parks, Revs. J. A. Webster, W. B. Richardson, W. R. Julian, S. H. Way, W. S. Long, D. D., Rev. W. T. Herndon, J. H. Wright, and J. S. Lawrence. After which the report was adopted.

Bro. John Black delegate from Pleasant Ridge arrived and was enrolled.

On motion conference suspended business one hour to hear Prof. F. S. Blair of the Friends give a lecture on "peace and arbitration." The address was quite interesting and instructive.

Conference resumed business.

On motion conference elected Revs. H. A. Albright, W. W. Hayworth, and Bro. E. A. Moffitt a committee on Union and Division to meet a like committee from the N. C. and Va. Conference. Rev. J. W. Patton and Bro. J. T. Moffitt were appointed alternates.

On motion a vote of thanks is hereby tendered to Prof. Blair for his excellent speech on peace and arbitration.

The following resolution was offered, adopted, and referred to the committee on Home Missions to be reported upon at next session of this conference.

"RESOLVED. That this conference go into the pastorate system grooping the churches so that each pastorate may contain from two to four churches, linking together the weaker and the stronger churches.

And also, this work be referred to the Home Missionary committee who shall make their report at the next meeting of conference."—H. A. ALBRIGHT.

Debated by Rev. H. A. Albright, Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Revs. W. W. Hayworth, W. S. Long, and W. R. Brown.

On motion conference adjourned one hour for refreshments.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference reassembled. The President in the chair. On motion Conference granted leave of absence for the remainder of this session to the delegates from Brown's Chapel and New Center.

The committee on Temperance made their report as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

One of the greatest evils with which the church and the world have to contend today is intemperance. It is no respector of person or place. When left free to inflict its deadly wounds. It hesitates not to enter the happiest homes, to blight the brightest spirits. It drives out congeniality, confidence, love and leaves the sacred circle a hideous spectre of former days. By its damning influences, communities are divided: discord springs up; society is wrecked. It enters politics, and drives out soberness, justice, and uprightness. It makes bad laws and administers them badly.

The church, as a body, is affected by it. Harmony ceases when it enters; the love of God goes out; and the spirit of brotherly unity, cut off from the great fountain of inspiration, sickens and dies.

Believing that these things are true, we recommend:

1st. That our ministers try to instil into the minds of their congregations a greater detestation of this deadly evil, preaching at least one sermon a year directly on the subject.

2nd. That all God's people go to the fountain head of this evil and cut off the stream that pollutes humanity implanting in the minds of the young the germs of righteousness, that shall save the world.

E. A MOFFITT,
J. A. WEBSTER,
W. R. BROWN,
Com.

After being debated by Bro. E. A. Moffitt, Revs. J. A. Webster. W. R. Brown, J, S. Lawrence. W. B. Richardson, S. H. Way, Bro. L. E. Brady, H. A. Albright, J. H. Wright, Prof. F. S. Blair, and Bro. M. A. Baldwin, was unanimously adopted.

The committee on religious exercises reported that W. S. Long would preach to-morrow at 11 a. m.

The committee on Home missions made their report.

COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your committee on Home Missions would offer the following report:

The mission spirit in the Deep River Conference is increasing. But not as fast as it ought to. We can look around very near home and find fields that are all ripe and are waiting for the laborers to come to reap the grain. I know that there is nothing we could do to spread the gospel faster than to push the work of Missions.

1st. We recommend that each pastor preach a mission sermon at the beginning of the year at the church he has in charge. And take up collections, to raise the amount assessed each church. And we insist on each pastor to see that the mission money is raised.

2nd. Each church be requested to raise the following sum or amount: Pleasant Grove $6, Union Grove $5 Big Oaks $5, Shady Grove $5, New Center $5, Christian Union $2, Pattersons Grove $3, Smith Wood $5, Mount Union $2. St. John $1, Ashboro $4, Macedonia $1, Browns Chapel $3, Antioch $2, Parks Gross Roads $7, Shiloh $6, Pleasant Ridge $6, Spoons Chapel $1, Pleasant Union $1.

3rd Also recommend that each church organize a Home Mission society to be composed of the young men and women and children of the coummunity to open the nickel and penny plan.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. Parks,
H. T. MOFFITT,
B. F. KERN.
Com.

Argued by Bro. J. R. Parks, Revs. H. T. Moffitt, W. T. Herndon, W. B. Richardson, M. L. Hurley, and Bro. E. A. Moffitt. Adopted.

On motion the Treasurer of conference be granted time to make his report to the secretary before the minutes are mailed for publication.

On motion the delegates from Pleasant Cross and Big Oak were granted leave of absence for the remainder of this session.

The committee on religious Literature submitted their report.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We your committee on religious literature submit the following report. This subject is one of great importortance.

1st. The holy Bible stands first as Christian Literature therefore we recommend the reading and study of the Bible as of the most important study for all Christians.

2nd. We recommend religious periodicals, viz THE CHRISTIAN SUN the Herald of Gospel Liberty and other publications published by the Chistian publishing houses.

3rd. Recommend that our Sabbath schools use our literature published at Dayton, Ohio.

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. BROWN,
W. W. LAWRENCE,
E H. JARRELL,
Com.

Discussed by Revs. W. R. Brown, E. H. Jarrell, W. S. Long, D. D., Bros. M. A. Baldwin, and W. R. Julian. Unanimously adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

"Your committee on Education would report: That we recommend the license of Bros. J. H. Wright, B. F. Kern, W. R. Julian be continued indefinitely

We have examined Bros. S. T. Moffitt, H. F. Way, A. A. Hamilton, and John Tysinger as directed by our Form of Government, and we recommend that Bros. H. F. Way and John Tysinger be licensed to praach the gospel as probationers for one year, as the good spirit may direct. And that Bros. S. T. Moffitt and A. A. Hamilton be continued in the Biblical class, study the Bible, and exercise their gifts as they feel impressed by the Holy Spirit.

Further, we recommend that our young men who are looking to the Christian ministry do all they can to gain a liberal education. To such end we recommend to them, and to our people the favorable consideration of Elon College under control of the General Convention."

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. ALBRIGHT,
J. W. PATTON,
J. S. LAWRENCE,
W. W. HAYWORTH,

After remarks upon the report by Revs. H. A. Albright, W. W. Hayworth, W. R. Julian, J. A. Wright, W. S. Long, D. D., the report was adopted, and Sabbath morning was set apart for licensing the brethren.

On motion a vote of thanks was tendered the officers of this session for the faithful performance of duty, and to the brethren and friends for their hospitality shown in the handsome way which they have entertained Conference.

The President announced the following as the standing committees for the ensuing conference year.

Executive: Rev. W. W. Hayworth, H. A. Albright, J. S. Lawrence, and J. W. Patton. Report first day 2 p. m.

Foreign Missions: Revs. J. S. Lawrence, W. B. Richardson, and Bro. C. J. Williamson. Report second day 10 a. m.

Sunday School: Bros. L. E. Brady, J. R. Parks, and J. N. Cagle. Report second day 11 a. m.

Religious Literature: Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Rev. J. A. Webster, and Bro. P. C. Humble. Report third day 10 a. m.

Home Missions: Revs. J. S. Lawrence, W. W. Hayworth, and Bro. J. R. Parks, and Rev. J. W. Patton. Report third day 1 p. m.

Education; Revs. H. A. Albright, W. W. Hayworth, J. S. Lawrence, W. R. Brown, and J. W. Patton. Report second day 2 p. m.

Temperance: Bros. J. H. Wright, H. F. Way, B. F. Kern. Report third day 2 p. m.

Finance:—H. A. Albright, J. N. Cagle, W. W. Hayworth.

Peace and Arbitration: Bro. J. H. Wright, Revs. W. B. Richardson, S. H. Way, and H. T. Moffitt. Report first day 1 p. m.

On motion the name of the President was added to the Executive Committee, to Education, and to Home Missions.

On motion a committee on Finance was appointed, to whom the Treasurer shall annually submit his report for their inspection, and after inspection, they shall report the result to Conference..

The committee appointed were Rev. H. A. Albright, J. N. Cagle, and Rev. W. W. Hayworth.

On motion all the members of Conference, ministers and delegates, shall be required to remain till the close of the session, otherwise be censured at the discretion of Conference.

On motioned it was recommended that a sum, equal to 25 per cent of the Home Missionary funds each church raises, be asked for from each individual church for a conference fund, to defray the expenses of Conference.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

I had charge of three churches. Held three protracted meeting. Received 9 into the fellowship of the church, baptized 6 by immersion Married 3 couples. Preached one funeral, conducted one burial service. Assisted in one protracted meeting. Preached at several mission places. Traveled 800 miles. Received $28.15:—JAS. A. WEBSTER.

I had charge of Staley's. Have done some mission work. Preached 45 times. Made a few temperance lectures. Labored in 3 protracted meetings. Had 2 conversions at Staley's. Received $4.75. The members of the church at Staley's have nearly all moved away.—W. B. RICHARDSON.

I have had no charge. Sermons preached 76. Funerals 2. Conducted prayer-meetings 29. Family worship in visiting 97.—J. H. WRIGHT.

I have had charge of Shiloh, Pleasant Grove, Mt. Union, and Spoon's Chapel. Held a protracted meeting at each church. Received into the church 28. Baptized 6. Assisted in 5 other protracted meetings. Traveled 1560 miles. Received $78—E. H. JARRELL.

I have had charge of New Center part of the year. Beceived 3 members. Baptized 14. Married 2 couples. I hope my labors have been blessed. To God be all the praise.—W. W. LAWRENCE.

I have had charge of Big Oaks, Brown's Chapel, and Christian Union. Preached about 75 sermons.—J. S. LAWRENCE.

I have had no charge this year. Have preached several times. Five or six funerals. Married 4 couples. Aided in protracted meetings.—W. R. BROWN.

I had no charge. Preached at various points. Assisted in protracted meetings. Gave some lectures on Sabbath schools.—S. H. WAY.

I had charge of Shady Grove, Montgomery county, N. C. Preached at other points.—W. W. HAYWORTH.

I have had charge of Antioch, Pleasant Cross, and St. John's. Aided in several protracted meetings.—H. A. ALBRIGHT.

I have had pastoral charge of Park's Cross Road, Union Grove, Pleasant Ridge, and Smithwood. Held protracted meeting at each church.—J. W. PATTON.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

"Your committee on Finance beg leave to report that we have examined the Treasurer's report, and find it to be correct.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. ALBRIGHT,
J. N. CAGLE,
W. W. HAYWORTH,
Com.

On motion Conference adjourned to meet with the church at Shiloh, Randolph county, N. C., on Thursday 9 a. m. before the 2nd Sabbath in November, 1894. Closing religious services by Rev. M. L. Hurley.

J. N. CAGLE, Secretary, J. W. PATTON, President.
H. A. ALBRIGHT, Asst. Sec.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

E. A. MOFFITT, Treasurer in account with
The Deep River Christian Conference.
Park's X Road, N. C., Nov. 11th, 1893.

HOME MISSIONS.

To Balance on hand at last report	$ 32.57
" Collected at Conference, Nov. '92	16.98
" " " " " '93	28 74
" " from Sunday Schools	3.50
" " " Minutes sold	70
	$ 82.49

CREDITS.

1892.	By Paid H. C. Vestal, Sec'y. '91	$2.50
Feb. 29	" " Rev. H. A. Albright	10.00
July 4	" " " " " "	5 00
Sept 17	" " " " " "	5.00
Dec. 10	" " Rev. J. A. Webster	10.00
1893.		
Apr. 1	" " Clements & Mood	5.00
Nov. 11	" " H. A. Albright	20.00
" "	" " " " " Sec'y.	5.00
" "	By Balance on hand	19.99
		$ 82.49

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Balance on hand last report	$38.03
Collected at Conference Nov. '92	12.39
" " " " '93	8.36
	$58.78

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

Collected at Conference '91	$22.20
" " " 92	6.50
" " " 29	1.50
	$30.20

	By Paid J. R Comer, Note,	$22.20
Nov. 11, '93.	" Balance on hand	8.00
		$30.20

E. A. MOFFITT, Treasurer.

STATISTICAL TABLE DEEP RIVER CONFERENCE.

Churches.	Pastors.	Secretaries and Post-Offices.	No reported last session	Recived since	Died	Expelled	Removed	Withdrawn	Present membership	No of S S	No offic'rs and t'ch'rs	No of Pupils	Amt paid Pastor	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Other purposes	Total amount	Value of church property
Smithwood,	J W Patton,	Helen Reitzel, Liberty, N. C.	70						70	1	6	60	50 00	65		5 25	55 90	500
Macedonia,	J A Webster,	Levi Tucker, Asheboro.	28						28	1	5	25						150
Asheboro,	P T Klapp,	T J Moffit, Asheboro.	23						23				49 00	3 17	3 00			
Shiloh,	E H Jarrell,	W T Albright, Moffitts Mills.	154	5	1	1	1	4	152	1	5	25	34 25	6 50	2 28		43 03	500
Parks X Roads,	J W Patton,	R W York, Kildee.	103	4	2		4		101				90 00	2 70			2 70	1000
Christian Union,	J S Lawrence,	William Cagle. Why Not.	49	27			1	2	73	1	5	45		50			50	100
Union Grove.	J W Patton,	O W Way, Brown's Store.	93	3	1		6		89	1	6	40		3 25		2 00	5 25	1000
Pleasant Grove.	E H Jarrel	R L Brady, Cheek's Mills.	212	18	5		1	9	215	1	5	35	33 55	1 00	1 02	1 85	37 62	500
Patterson's Grove	J A Webster,	J A Ellison, Franklinville,	55	5	1	1			58				10 65	1 50		27 15	39 30	500
Pleasant Cross,	H A Albright,	Joseph Henson, Spew.	34		1		1		32	1	4	25	7 52	50	31		8 31	300
New Center,	W W Lawrence,	T W Lawrence, Why Not.	94	3	2		1	16	78	1	6	35	16 00	3 51	2 00	1 00	24 51	400
Pleasant Ridge,	J W Patton,	E W Brown, Empire.	126	2	2		3		123				50 00	89	90	2 50	54 29	800
Pleasant Union,	J A Webster,	Martitia McDowel.	32	4		1			35				15 00				15 00	
Spoon's Chapel,	E H Jarrell,	G H Kinney, Asheboro.	14						14	1	7	41	6 47				6 47	40
Shady Grove,	W W Hayworth,	Hiram Freeman, Ether.	82	9	1		4	4	82	1	4	41	30 00	3 13	1 52	400 00	434 67	600
Brown's Chapel,	J S Lawrence,	W L Brewer, Spencer.	116	4		6	1		113	1	6	145	40 00	1 00			41 00	400
Big Oak	J S Lawrence,	W L Beitt, Gale.	85	4		2	2	1	84	1	5	68	23 40	2 00			25 40	500
Antioch,	H A Albright,	F M Teague, Moffit's Mills	31	3	1		1		32	1	4	36	10 00	1 00	93	20 00	31 95	300
St Johns,	H A Albright,	Milton Burns, Randleman.	12						12	1	5	50	2 50				2 50	200
Staley's	W B Richardson.		2						2				4 25				4 25	200
Mt Union,	E H Jarrell,		58	5					63									100
New Bear Creek,			5						5									
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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

SIXTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

N. C. AND VA. CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE.

SHALLOW FORD CHRISTIAN CHURCH, Moore Co., N. C.

Nov. 21, 1893.

The North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference met today with the above named chnrch, at 10:30 a. m. Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. W. S. Long, D. D. Reading Psalms 100 and 137, singing, "Blest be the tie that binds." Prayer. Remarks of fraternal greeting; singing, "All hail the power of Jesus name;" prayer by Rev. W. G. Clements. The standing secretary called the conference to order. Rev. P. H. Fleming, president of last session arrived and filled the chair.

The secretary called the roll of ministers with the following responses:

Elders: W. G. Clements, P. H. Fleming, J. L. Foster, W. T. Herndon, J. W. Holt, A. F. Iseley, J. A. Jones, P. T. Klapp, S. B. Klapp, W. S. Long, L. W. Mangum, C. C. Peel, T. W. Stroud, G. R. Underwood, J. W. Hatch, J. W. Wellons, J. A. Whiteman, W. C. Wicker, T. B. Dawson, and P. T. Way.

Licentiates: J. W. Fuquay, J. S. Carden, J. W. Parker,

C. H. Rowland, C. C. Williams, A. P. Barbee, J. W. Fonville, J. O. Atkinson.

The roll of churches was called, and the following delegates enrolled.

Antioch (C.); Antioch (W.); Apples Chapel: M. V. Brown; Auburn: J. E. Langston, L. G. Sanderford; Amelia:——; Beulah: M. A. Barham, J. E. Denton; Big Falls:——; Bethlehem: R. T. Kernodle, H. V. Simpson; Burlington: H. W. Trollinger; Bethany: W. R. Mays; Bethel: C. B. Hughes, J. S. Roscoe; Catawba Springs: J. G. Langston; Christian Chapel: L. S. Mann; Concord: ——; Ceter Grove: J. H. Knight, R. L. White; Christian Light:——; Clover Orchard: T. F. McVey, W. A. McPherson; Damascus: M. J. McCauley; Durham: W. C. Cole; Ebenezer: W. D. Byrum; Egypt: C. A. McDaniel, Mrs. W. L. Gunter; Elon College:——; Grace's Chapel:——; Good Hope:——; Graham:——; Goshen Chapel:——; Hank's Chapel: W. S. Petty, W. O. Farrel; Happy Home: W. B. Wall; Hayes' Chapel, A. M. Pollard; Hebron: J. H. Yancey; Hines Chapel: Miss Tora Rudd, B. L. Busic, W. L. Apple; Howard Chapel: ——; High Point—; Ingram:——; Keyser:——; Kallum Grove:——;Liberty (V.): R. S. Watkins, Irvin M. Green: Liberty (R.):——; Lebanon:——; Long's Chapel: H. C. King, G. T. Hurdle; Lexington: H. M. Turner; Mt. Auburn: S. P. Read; Mt. Bethel: J. T. McCollum, Mt. Carmel: J. T. Usry; Mt. Hermon: C. H. Johnson, D. R. Johnson; Mt. Zion:——; Mt. Pleasant: J. J. Spivey; Mt. Vernon:——; Martha's Chapel: W. A. Ellington; Moore Union: S. C. McCauley, A. C. Yarboro; Morrisville: J. A. Massey, J. H. Moring; New Elam: J. L. Womble, D. A. Mann; New Hope: J. B. King, J. M. King; New Hill:——; New Providence: T. J. Griffin; O'Kelley's Chapel: L. M. Harward, G. M. Parrish; Oak Level: 'Rastus Williams, Joseph Pierce, Pleasant Grove, (Va.): J S. Thompson, O. S. Boyd; Pleasant Hill, (J.): J C. Hardee; Pleasant Hill, (C.): Dr. D. P. Albright; Pleasant Union, W. J. Long; Pleasant Ridge: G. C. Watkins;

Popes Chapel: J. W. House, A. J. Morton; Popular Branch: A. Hall, J. W. Cox; Plymouth: D. D. Banks; Pleasant Grove (J.) :——; Palmyra :——; Raleigh: D. J. Mood; Piney Plain :——; Shallow Ford: Mrs. G. W. Kernodle; Shallow Well: W. A. J. Thomas, J. A. Gunter; Salem Chapel :——; Sage Garden: H. H. Holder; Spilona :——; Turner's Chapel: W. G. Wicker, W. B. Dowdy; Union, (Va.) :——; Union, (N. C.): J. D. Wilkins; Wake Chapel: L. F. Johnson. K. B. Johnson; Walnut Grove: Miss Della Grissom, Miss Florine Winston; Winder :——, Youngsville, w. T. Young; Zion: J. M. Wicker, R. F. Johnson.

The president announced a quorum present, and designated seats for members of the conference, and declared conference ready for the transaction of business.

The first business in order was the election of a president for this session and the ensuing year, and on ballot Hon. S. P. Read, of Palmer Spring, Va., was duly elected, and on taking his seat made feeling remarks on the progress of the church.

Rev. W. C. Wicker was elected assistant secretary.

At 12 m. Bro. J. B. Watson made an address of welcome to the conference in behalf of the church and community, the response in behalf of the conference was made by Rev. P. H. Fleming.

Rev. E. T. Isley of the Valley Va. Christian Conference was invited to a seat as a fraternal messenger of same, and responded in fraternal greetings.

The president on request, filled the vacancies on standing committees as follows:

Home Missions: W. S. Petty, H. C. King.

Foreign Missions: J. H. Moring.

Church Extension: J. W. Fuquay, G. R. Underwood.

Religious Literature: C. C. Peel.

The time having arrived for the annual address, on motion the time for the address was made special order for half past one o'clock.

By motion conference adjourned forty-five minutes for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The president in the chair.

The time for special order, the president announced the annual address by Rev. C. C. Peel. The congregation sang "Nearer my God to Thee." Rev. W. C. Wicker read 2 Pet. 3rd chapter, and prayed. Song, "O For a Closer Walk with God." A very strong and convincing argument was presented by the speaker, using for his text 2 Pet. 3:18. Subject "Growth." After the address prayer by Rev. P. T. Klapp.

On motion the pastor of this church and the two delegates were appointed a committee on religious exercises.

Ministerial reports called for and read.

By motion conference decided to meet each day at 9 a. m. and spend twenty minutes in devotional exercises, adjourn at 1 p. m. for dinner; meet again at 2 p. m. and adjourn at will.

By motion the chair appointed the following committee on Finance: Dr. D. H. Albright, R. T. Kernodle, C. H. Rowland.

The chair appointed H. V. Simpson a committee of one to receive subscriptions for the ANNUAL, making his report 3rd day of this session.

On motion conference called for church letters and ordered them read.

The reading ot church letters pending, conference adjourned till 9 a. m. tomorrow. Prayer by Rev. J. W. Wellons.

SECOND DAY—NOV. 22.

President Read called conference to order at 9:30 a. m. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. J. W. Holt.

Roll called. Quorum present. Minutes read and approved.

By motion Revs. H. A. Albright, w. w. Hayworth, and J. w. Patton from the Deep River Christian Conference, and also Rev. M. L. Hurley of Eastern Va. Christian Conference, and secretary of the Christian Missionary

Association, were invited to seats as deliberative members of this body, and upon taking their seats among us, bore fraternal greetings from their respective conferences.

The petition from Belew's Creek Christian Church for membership in this conference was granted, and the name of church enrolled.

On motion, a committee of three were appointed to meet a like committee from the Deep River Conference, to consider the advisability of the "Union and the Division" of this and said conference:

P. T. Klapp, w. G. Clements, R. T. Kernodle, Com.

The report of the special committee on the Division of this conference as appointed by our last session, was received and referred to the above joint committee. The report as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

The committee on the Division of the N. C. and Va. Christian conference recommend the following plan for the division of the territory of said conference: Beginning at Fayetteville, N. C., running north with the C. F. & Y. V. R. R. to Sanford. N. C. thence with the Seaboard Air Line R. R. to Haw River, thence up said river to southern boundary of Orange county, thence east with said line to the corner of Durham county, thence North with the line between Durham and Orange counties to Person county line, thence east with southern boundary of Person bouety to Granville county thence with the line between Person and Cranville counties to the Virginia line, thence east state line to the corner of Brunswick county, Va.

We would further suggest that it would be a good idea to define the line between the N. C. and Va. C. C. and the Deep River conference by beginning at Fayetteville, N. C., and thence west with the N. C. R. R., and the churches west and southwest of said road constitute the Deep River conference. We ask the churches affected by this suggestion and the Deep River conference to consider the suggestion, and if agreeable to take such action as may be necessary to bring the matter properly before the next session of the General Convention.

J. W. HOLT,
W. G. GLEMENTS.
J. W. WELLONS.
Com.

Tho reading of church letters was called, and continued till completed.

On motion the following committee was appointed to investigate matters as reported in the chruch letters.

C. C. Peel, J. A. Jones, J. E. Langston.

A paper from the pastor of the Raleigh church, relating to the delinquent subscriptions for pastor's support for the years 1890, '91 and '92, was submitted, and on motion.

was referred to Bro. D. J. Mood, collector for Raleigh, accompanied by request of this conference that the subscriptions be paid at once.

Partial report of committee on Home Missions submitted, and the report pending, conference adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 2 p. m. president called conference to order. The discussion on the report of Home Missions continued; and on motion, the report was considered by items. That part of the report in the proceedings of this body, session 1892, relative to the "last overplus," being divided between Raleigh, Durham and Burlington for pastor's support, was rescinded, and the said "overplus" retained in the Home Mission Fund.

The report adopted as follows:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The new church at Burlingtoh has been about completed and will be dedicated soon. Rev. C. C. Peel has been re-elected pastor.

The work at Durham under the charge of Rev. J. W. Wellons seems to have gained somewhat. we recommend aid.

Raleigh asks for additional help; we favor some help there.

High Point has failed to raise the $100.00 asked for by the recommendation of this committee at last conference. we yet think it should be raised. The church has failed to confer with this committee as to its arrangements for a pastor.

we recommend that churches where we have invested funds to build houses wholly are in part, make no arrangement for pastoral supply from year to year without confering with conference through this committee.

Rev. J. w. Holt kept up his efforts at walnut Cove, N. C., until June last, when his attention was turned to Belew's Creek, N. C., which promised more success to our cause. He has organized a chureh at the latter point with good prospects for the future. The amount appropriated to walnut Cove has uot been called for by him but in view of the work he has done at the two places we favor his receiving it, and so recommend.

Rev. G. R. Underwood had charge of the work at Center Grove and has been recalled. They ask for help. we favor a small amount.

Goshen Chapel and Antioch (warren,) each asks for the same assistance with the same arrangement as last year. we favor some assistance at Antioch.

Rev. G. R Underwood reports winder as in a poor condition. we recommend no action as to the disposal of the property for the present, and ask that the pastor of Mt. Pleasant look after it.

Rev. P. T. way has failed to report his work at Keyser, N. C, except first quarter, and no amount has been paid him. we recommend that the amount appropriated to this point be retained in the treasury.

Rev. w. G. Clements took charge of Liberty, (R.) N. C., in June by direction of this committee. we recommend that he be paid $20 00 for the past year and $25 for the next year.

Rev. C. H. Rowland has been preaching at Piney Plain for two years: he asks for $25.00 to supplement the support he has received at this point; we favor giving it.

Friends at wilmington, N. C., ask that a missionary be sent to that city. we think best to refer this matter to the Missionary Association of the General Convention, owing to our lack of funds.

We recommend that whatever amount might be covered by the 9th recommendation of our final report to conference at its last session, as to "any further overplus," be held for appropriation at this session.

we reluctantly gave our consent for the organization of a new church in Haywood, N. C., but the brother decided not to organize after further consideration.

We were not counselled in reference to the organization of any other church.

J. W. HOLT, Chairman,
W. S. Petty,
H. C. KING
Com.

On motion Rev. Dr. Gibbs and Rev. Mr. Thompson of the M. E. Church were invited to seats as deliberative members.

On motion speeches were limited to ten minutes and no one have but one speech.

The treasurer's report handed in, and also an account of the secretary, and each referred to the committee on Finance.

Rev. P. T. Way arrived and was enrolled.

REPORT ON CHURCH LETTERS.

Your committee on church letters would report: With regard to Center Grove the irregualrity was caused by inclement weather.

with regard to the sacraments at Christian Chapel it is the fault of the church.

Relative to Hebron and pastor we report in the first part, the pastor was providentially hindered, on the second part the church released the pastor.

with Mt. Pleasant it is not the fault of the pastor.

with regard to Pleasant Hill (C), it was the fault of the sec'y, and not the fault of the pastor.

At Plymouth it was not the fault of the pastor.

with regard to Sunday Schools we urge pastors to give more attention.

In regard to prayer meetings we urge all churches to keep them up regularly.

we advise revision of church letter. The above report with the following amendment was adopted:

Amended, to require the churches to have the church letters filled and read in their last meeting.

C. C PEEL,
J. A. JONES,
J. E. LANGSTON,
Com.

Additional ministerial reports handed in and read.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Nothing special has claimed our attention during the year, except Revs. D. F. Jones and D. R. Yarborough requested certificates of withdrawal from this conference to conncet themselves with other bodies, which we granted, with the provision that we were to be legally notified that they had connected themselves with some other body, but held amendable to this body until they had complied with the above named request.

J. W. WELLONS, Chairman.

On motion the secretary was instructed to draw orders on the treasurer for the following amounts:

Amount appropriated by last conference to pastor Durham church, $100.00—Rev. J. W. Wellons, pastor. To pastor Walnut Cove and Belew's Creek, $50.00—Rev. J. W. HOLT, pastor. To pastor Liberty (R,) $20.00—Rev. W. G. Clements, pastor. To pastor Piney Plains, $25.00—Rev. C. H. Rowland, pastor.

On motion adjourned. Prayer by Rev. J. W. Patton.

3RD DAY, NOV. 23.

President Read called conference to order at 9:30. Devotional exercises by Rev. W. T. HERNDON. The calling of the roll omitted. Minutes read, corrected and approved.

On motion the report on Foreign Missions was made special order for 11 a. m. today.

By motion 3 p. m. today made special order for the report of the committee on "Union and Division.

Rev. D. A. Long, D. D., LL. D., president of the American Christian Convention, and also president of Antioch College, Yellow Springs, Ohio, was invited to a seat in this body as a deliberative member, and on taking his seat made historical remarks relative to the work of this conference, and gave fraternal greetings.

By motion the action of this conference in yesterday's proceedings relative to the rescinding of the last "overplus" in the 9th item, report on HOME Missions 1892, retaining the said "overplus" in the treasury for distribution this year, was reconsidered, and the chair requested that the committee on HOME Missions report the amount of said "overplus."

The following resolution read and on motion adopted:

Moved, That the overplns recommended in last year's Home Missions report be disposed of as recommended in said report, less the $100 from note paid off, and the $25.00 recommended to remain in the hands of the treasurer.

The following delegates arrived and were enrolled:

Grace Chapel: J. H. Phillips, B. J. Beale; Union (Va): J. H. Overly; Moore Union: A. C. Yarboro, S. C. McCauley; Damascus: M. J. w. McCauley.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Any church that is not a temperance church is not in a good, healthy condition. Temperance means total abstinence in all hat is evil and moderation in all that is good.

Resolved,

1st, That is is wrong to build churches to teach men the way of life, and at the same time license shops to lead them into the way of death.

2nd, That it is wrong to license a man to sell that which will make a man drunk, and then punish the man for being drunk.,

3rd, That it is wrong to license shops to make paupers and then to tax sober men to take care of them.

4th, That it is wrong to license a saloon to teach vice and then tax people for schools to teach virtue.

5th, That it is wrong to derive revenue from a traffic which means the sacrifice of men's lives.

6th, That it is wrong to teach your boy not to drink, and then to vote to license a place where he may be taught to drink

7th, That it is wrong to preach justice and charity and to take care of your own boy and then vote to license a place to ruin your neighbor's boy, and rob poor women, children, and orphan's of food, clothing, and shelter.

8th, That it is wrong to teach a boy honesty and virtue, and then vote to license a place where he may be taught to gamble and gratify the worst of inflamed passions.

9th, We recommend and heartily endorse the teaching of temperance in our schools.

THOMAS W. STROUD,
W. C. WICKER,
Com.

After discussion the report adopted.

11 a. m. special order.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

we your committee beg the privilege of reporting the Japan Mission in a good and prosperous condition. we have 8 preachers, 10 helpers, in all a band of 18 representing the Christian church in that far off heathen land. And in this work we have much to encourage us. we have 4 organized churches, 6 principal stations, and 21 out stations. A total church membership of 199, additions during the year 37, baptisms during the year 22, Sunday Schools 6, Sunday School pupils 200. One theological school with 8 students, and one children's Secular school with 12 pupils. Total amount of money raised by the natives for all church purposes $104.

Our Japan churches are all in harmony with our work here, they take the Quadrennial collections and forward the same to the secretary of the American Christian Convention. Their last collection is just in, and Bro. woodworth says, "If the Japanese keep on, they will show a better average next

year than the churches at home. In poverty and just emerging from heathenism, they do half as well now."

Our responsibilities are thus increased, as the work has enlarged and the liberality of the Japanese has shown itself, that we must increase our efforts for if we do not they will soon show more of the missionary spirit than our home churches do now: Therefore resolved:

1st, That we ministers seeing our increased responsibility, obligate ourselves to acquaint our people more fully with the weighty responsibility resting upon God's chosen people.

2nd, As our contribution express our desire for said Foreign Mission work, let such contributions be in proportion to the prosperity which God has bestowed upon us.

3rd, That we ask the churches to raise not less than the following amount; leaving the plans for raising optional with the churches and pastors.

P. T. KLAPP,
J. H. MORING.
C. C. PEEL,
Com.

For assessments on Foreign Missions see tabulated statement of assessments for 1894.

In the discussion upon the above report Rev. P. T. Klapp gave a brief history of the Japan work, its present condition, and future prospect.

A collection for Foreign Missions was taken amounting to $18.00.

The report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We your committee on Finance beg leave to report that we have carefully examined the accounts and vouchers of Rev. J. W. Hatch, treasurer, finding them all correct and balanced, except under the head of contingent fund, we find due treasurer $16.30 Under the head of convention fund we find in his hands $2.75. Due treasurer $13.55, which we recommend be paid him.

we hear that one of the securities of the treasurer is dead, that being the case, with all due respect for our treasurer, and full confidence in his honesty and ability, yet for the safety of the conference funds we deem it necessary for conference to require additional security.

we also find in the treasurer's hands one note on w. D. Harward for $50 00 and one note on L. A. Lowdermilk for $25.50, and one note on W. D. Harward for $35.00.

we have examined the account of $5.63 of J. L. Foster, secretary, for stationery, furnished for the N. C and Va, Christian Conference, and recommend that the amount be paid him.

D. H. ALBRIGHT,
R. T. KERNODLE,
C. H. ROWLAND.
Com.

The report adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

J. W. HATCH, treasurer, in account with the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference.

	HOME MISSIONS.		Cr.	Dr.
1892 Nov. 19,	To balance on hand			$ 173 30
" 25,	Collection at conference			482 48
" "	By commissions on $482 48 at 1½ per cent		$7 24	
1892 Nov. 22	cash paid S. B. Klapp, order	No 84	6 25	
1893 May 16,	" " "	1	12 50	
" "	" " "	2	12 50	
Aug. 24	" " "	7	6 25	
" "	" " "	8	6 25	
1892 Nov. 25,	" Rev. T. B. Dawson	92	2 00	
" "	" " J. W. Holt,	91	107 13	
" 23,	" " P. T. Klapp	83	5 00	
" "	" " J. L. Foster	85	37 50	
1893 Feb. 20,	" " "	96	37 50	
May 16,	" " "	4	37 50	
Aug. 24,	" " "	9	37 50	
" "	" " J. W. Wellons	10	25 00	
May 16,	" " "	99	25 00	
Mar. 23,	" " "	97	25 00	
" "	" " C. C. Peel,	98	12 50	
May 16,	" " "	100	12 50	
Aug. 24,	" " " "	6	25 00	
1892 Nov. 23	" " "	86	25 00	
"	" W. G. Clements	87	15 00	
1893 May 18	" " G. R. Underwood,	5	7 50	
Nov	Commissions on 21 orders $467 88 at 1½ per cent.		7 02	
"	Balance on hand		173 64	
			$ 655.78	$ 655.78

	FOREIGN MISSION FUND.		
1892 Nov. 20,	To balance on hand		$ 31.57
"	Collections at conference		352 76
"	By commissions on $352 76 at 1½ per cent.	$ 5 29	
Nov. 25,	Cash paid A. Moring, order No. 93	320 00	
"	Commissions on $320 00 at 1½ per cent	4 80	
"	Balance on hand	54 24	
		$ 384.33	$ 384.33

	EDUCATIONAL FUND.		
1892 Nov. 20,	To balance on hand		$ 39 87
"	To collections at conference		124 52
"	By commissions on $124 52 at 1½ per cent	$ 1 87	
1893 Mar. 20,	Note on W. D. Harward without interest	50 00	
May 9,	" " " "	35 00	
Jan. 5,	" L. A. Lowdermilk " "	25 50	
May 9,	Commissions on $85	1 27	
Nov. 21,	Balance on hand	50 75	
		$ 164 39	$ 164 3

CHURCH EXTENSION FUND.

1892 Nov 20,	To collections at conference		$ 114 38
"	By commissions on $114 38 at 1½ per cent	$ 1 72	
1893 " 21,	Balance due me from last year	5 13	
"	Balance on hand	107 53	
		$ 114 38	$ 114 38

CONFERENCE FUND.

Nov 20,	To collections at conference		$ 39 21
"	By balance due me from last report	$ 15 62	
"	Comissions on $39 21 at 1½ per cent	.59	
"	Cash paid Clements & Mood order No. 89	1 00	
"	" " Rev. J. W. Holt " 90	1 50	
"	" " " J. L. Foster " 88	7 40	
Nov. 25,	By cssh paid Rev. J. L. Foster order No 94	3 90	
Dec 1 1893	" " " 95	25 00	
Nov 21,	By commissions on above 5 orders $38 80 at 1½ per ct.		.50
"	Balance due me		$ 16 30
		$ 55 51	$ 55 51

CONVENTION FUND.

Nov 26,	Collection at conference	$ 2 75

Respectfully submitted,
J. W. HATCH, Treas. N. C. & Va. C. C.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Unfortunately the Christians have never been very productive in religious literature. Though the first to publish a religious newspaper, they have not kept pace with other denominations in religious journalism. Though some good books have come from the pens of christian ministers and laymen, there has never been a full supply.

As a result of this deficiency in literature, setting forth the broad principles of christian liberty as taught in the Bible, the people have failed to learn much of the best religious thought taught by the christians.

We would urge the supplying of libraries with good religious books of the best thought. and of a careful reading of our own literature. We would call special attention to Family Prayers by Rev J. W. Wellons.

We hope that Facing the Truth or Iola, by Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., and Five Cardinal Principles Defined, by Rev. M. L Hurley may soon be republished.

We would call upon all to stand by the CHRISTIAN SUN, giving it a support that will enable the publishers to push it to the front rank of the very best religious papers of the land.

We take pleasure in recommending the Herald of Gospel Liberty as a first-class paper.

W. G. CLEMENTS,
C. C. PEEL,
G. R. UNDERWOOD,
Com.

Subscriptions for THE CHRISTIAN SUN were solicited and a nice number secured.

After discussion, the report adopted.

The hour having arrived, conference adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION. 3rd Day.

2 p. m. Conference called to order.

Additional church letters and ministerial reports read.

On motion a committee on memoirs was appointed.

W. S. Long, J. W. Wellons, J. O. Atkinson, Com.

The report of committee on education was submitted and the discussion pending, the special order for 3 p. m. was called.

Special order:

REPORT ON UNION AND DIVISION.

We your committee on Union and Dvision appointed to meet and confer with a like committee of the Deep River Christian Conference, met the said committee and agreed to recommend the Union of the said conferences, upon the following conditions:

1, That the dividing lines be drawn so as to make three conferences, with the following boundary lines:

2, That the names of said conferences shall be, "The Deep River Christian Conference," "The North Carolina and Va. Christian Conference," and "The Raleigh Christian Conference"

3, That the dividing line of the Deep River Christian Conference be gin at Fayetteville and follow Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad to Sanford, thence with the Seaboard Air Line Rail road to Haw River, thence with said River up to the Granite Cotton Mills, thence with the North Carolina Rail Road to Lexington.

4, That the dividing line of Raleigh Christian Conference run with the Deep River Christian Conference line from Fayetteville to the Granite Cotton Mills, thence with the North Carolina Railroad to Durham, thence North with the Oxford and Clarksville Railroad to Keysville, Va.

5, That the dividing line of the North Carolina and Va. Christian Conference run paralell with the Rail road from Lexington to Durham, thence wtth the Rail road to Keysville, Va.

6, That the ministers living within the bounds of said Conferences, be members thereof.

7, That your body memoralize the General Convention to confirm and ratify this Union and this Division of said conferences.

Signed,

P. T. KLAPP,
W. G. CLEMENTS,
R. T. KERNODLE,
Com.

We the cemmittee from the Deep River Christian Conference heartily endorse the paper offered by the Committee from the N. C. & Va. Christian Conference.

W. W. HAYWORTH,
H. A. ALBRIGHT,
J. W. PATTON,
Com.

After the asking and answering many questions and a full discussion of the propositions and plans of Union and Divtsion, the vote was called and the report adopted.

On motion the following resolution passed,

RESOLVED: That this Conference memoralize the General Convention of of the Christian Church South, requesting it to pregare uniform certificates of licensure and ordination for allthe conferences within its bounds, of such style and quality of material as shall command the recognition of other ecclesiastical bodies and be more in accord with the the dignity and importance of such credentials.

On motion the secretary was instructed to draw an order on the Treasurer for the transfer of the $100.00 from the Extension to the Home Mission Fund, the amount borrowed.

An account of Messrs. Clements and Mood was presented, read, and referred to the committee on Finance.

By motion, tomorrow at 10 a. m. the election of delegates to the General Convention was made special order

The secretary was instructed to write a letter of commendation for Rev. J. A. Whiteman.

The collector for Annuals reported 428 subscribed and paid for.

On motion conference adjourned. Prayer by Rev. P. H. Fleming.

FOURTH DAY, NOV. 24.

9:45 a. m. the president in the chair. Conference called to order; the calling of the roll dispensed with; the minutes of yesterday read corrected and approved.

The hour of special order having arrived, the Conference proceeded, by ballot, to the election of delegates to the General Convention, to be held in May 1894.

On motion, it was decided that the 8 ministers receiving the largest number of votes be declared elected. The ballot having been taken and the vote announced the

following ministers were declared elected, Revs. W. S. Long, J. W. Wellons, P. T. Klapp, W. G. Clements, J. W. Holt, C. C. Peel, P. H. Fleming and J. L. Foster.

On motion the 4 ministers receiving the next highest vote were declared elected alternates, as follows, Revs. W. T. Herndon, G. R. Underwood, W. C. Wicker and J. O. Atkinson.

The vote for the lay delegates was taken, and the 8 receiving the highest vote were declared elected. The delegates as follows, Bros. J. A. Mills, J. H. Fleming, J. H. Moring, S. P. Read, Jesse Winburn, J. B. Watson, E. T. Pierce, and R. T. Kernodle.

On motion the 4 lay brethren receiving the next highest vote were declared alternates; the following received said vote, Bros. W. A. Ellington. I. W. Pritchard, K. B. Johnson, and W. S. Petty.

By motion, Conference went into the selection of a place to hold the next annual session, Nov. 1894. The church at Burlington was selected.

The following resolution was on motion adopted.

RESOLVED, That the churches composing this conference be required to have but one roll of members.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

We find that most of the churches have Sabbath schools. There are more schools than churches. Many of our churches have grown out of the Sabbath schools.

We recommend that all schools in this conference use our own literature. We also commend a more careful and thorough study of the Bible.

We believe that our church Hymnal should be introduced and used in the schools of this conference.

We cannot recommend that a summer school of music be conducted next summer at Elon College as formerly, from the fact that the one appointed last year was a complete failure.

We urge all ministers to work more in the interest of the Sabbath school.

P. T. WAY,
J. H. MORING,
J. A. JONES,
Com.

After discussion the above report was on motion adopted.

ADDITIONAL REPORT ON FINANCE.

Your committee on Finance recommend that the account of Messrs. Clements and Mood be paid.

D. H. ALBRIGHT,
R. T. KERNODLE,
C. H. ROWLAND,
Com.

The report adopted.

RESOLVED, That a committee of three be appointed on Christian Union to consider propositions on the subject of union coming from any sister denomination.

The above resolution was unanimously adopted. The chair appointed, J. W. Holt, P. T. Klapp, J. H. Fleming.

Report of committee on Education. This report was taken from the table and after discussion was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

True education develops all our powers. Only when the whole person is disciplined and cultured can one hope to render the best services and win the highest rewards. That institutions of high grade often give intellectual and physical training while the moral and religious elements are neglected is greatly to be deplored. It is true that this evil has been abated to great extent in recent years. The denominational colleges have contributed materially towards this end, and the morals and manners of college life have advanced to a higher and purer standard. The world and the church have shared in the beneficient results.

Our convention has under its control, directly or indirectly, one theological seminary, Standfordville, N. Y., six colleges of arts, Elon College, N. C., Antioch College, Yellow Springs, Ohio, Union Christian College, Meron, Ind., LeGrand, at LeGrand Iowa, Kansas Caristian College, Lincoln, Kan., Starkey College, Eddytown, N. Y., Franklinton College, Franklinton, N. C. This last named is an institution for the colored people.

There are several high schools and academies in different sections of which we would make special mention of Suffolk Collegiate Institute, Suffolk, Va., New Hope Institute, Ala., and Shiloh Academy, Randolph Co., N. C.

There are Biblical chairs at Elon College and Union Christian College in each of which there are about fifteen young men preparing for the ministry.

1. We recommend to all our people and to the public Elon College. It is under the control of the General Convention of the Christian church South and deserves our hearty endorsement and earnest support. The growth and reputation it has attained during its brief history should be an inspiration and a joy to all friends of the Christian church. The college stands central to all our interests, and it appeals to all ministers and friends of the church for patronage that its usefulness may be extended and its prosperity promoted.

2. We recommend the establishment of academies and high schools in destitute places. The district meetings should give this matter attention. These schools could be made feeders to the colleges, and at the same time contribute greatly to the education of the people.

3. That the Treasurer of this Conference be instructed to lend money to the following young men and take the usual notes for the same: W. D. Harward $75.00, and H. H. Cassada $35.00. During the sitting of this body we have examined the following brethren and recommend for admission to the biblical

class: R. F. Johnson from Zion church, George C. Wadford, Pleasant Ridge, G. W. Tickle and H. H. Cassada, Elon College, M. D. Byrum who was admitted te the class one year ago was also before us and is continued in the class.

W. D. Harward of O'Kelley's Cbapel and J. A. Massey of Morrisville were examined and are recommended for licensure.

These brethren, were recommended by the churches to which they have ministered for ordination: Revs. J. W Fuquay, A. P. Barbee, C. C. Williams, C. H. Rowland, J. W. Parker, J. O Atkinson. Considerable advancement has been made by these brethren and they promise much usefulness to the church. One of them, J. O. Atkinson comes up well on all branches of learning required and his ordination is recommended. The others have been instructed as to the studies, books, etc., they need to pursue and will continue the work of preparation until they complete the course of study prescribed by the convention.

4. Some of those whom we have from time to time given license to preach fail to perform the course of study, to preach regularly, or to appear before us for examination. We are of opinion that such should be admonished and if they persist in a neglect of duty that their credentials be recalled.

5. That the assessment of the churches for the fund to aid young ministers be as follows:

W. S. LONG,
W. T. HERNDON,
J. W. WELLONS,
W. C. WICKER,
Com.

For assessments on Education of young ministers see tabulated statement of assessments for 1894.

On motion the above report was adopted.

Conference adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION, FOURTH DAY.

At 2:20 p. m. President Read called Conference to to order.

The committee on Memoirs made the following report.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

Since we met in our last annual session two of our brethren in the ministry have been called to their reward. Rev. Albert Galatin Anderson was born in Caswell county, N. C. He was educated at the University of N. C., and studied law which profession he pursued for several years. While Rev. Isaac N. Walter was conducting a meeting at church Union, Alamance Co., N. C., Bro. Anderson was converted and soon thereafter entered the ministry of the Christian church. For some years he was associated with Rev. John R. Holt in conducting Graham Institute. Afterward he entered the ministry and became pastor of several churches. He was a devoted friend of the Christian church, earnest and zealous in maintaining our interests and faithful and true to all obligations assumed. For some years before his death he was greatly afflicted and was rendered wholly unable to labor or even to guide himself about his house. In the month of July 1893 he passed gently from the afflictions and labors of this life to the rest and blessedness of the eavenly home.

Rev. John N. Farrell was born in the county of Chatham, N.C., and while a young man embraced religion and became a preacher of the gospel. For many years he was a most zealous and untiring worker in this conference. Some years ago he removed to Texas where he continued to preach until his death, which occurred during the past summer. Death came suddenly but found him ready. He died as he had lived a thoroughly loyal member of the Christian church.

1. RESOLVED, That while we mourn the loss of our dearly beloved brethren yet we bow submissively to the will of our heavenly Father.

2. RESOLVED, That we will ever cherish with fondest recollections the memory of these dear departed servants of God, and shall seek to imitate the good they illustrated in life.

3. That a copy of these resolutions be sent the families of the deceased with assurances of our sincere condolence and sympathy.

W. S. LONG,
J. W. WELLONS,
J. O. ATKINSON,
Com.

Remarks were made by many members of Conference on the usefulness of the lives of the deceased, and beautiful expresions of appreciation showed the high esteem in which each departed brother was held, and words of tenderest and deepest sympathy for the bereaved families spoken.

In respect to the memory of the dead, the chair announced that the vote on the report be taken by rising. The report adopted unanimously.

FINAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

The committee on Home Missions submit the following appropriations for the ensuing year.

Burlington, $30.00; Durham $100.00; Raleigh $100.00; Center Grove $10.00; Antioch (W.) $25.00.

We recommend that these amounts with the amount appropriated to Liberty (R) for next year, with the exception of Center Grove, be paid quarterly, the amount for Center Grove to be paid semi-annually. Quarterly reports to be made to the chairman of this committee and orders issued the same way as last year. We endorse the following arrangement for pastoral supply of these points, Rev. G. G. Peel at Burlington, N. C., Rev. J. W. Wellons at Durham, N. C., Rev. J. L. Foster at Raleigh, N. C., Rev. G. R. Underwood at Center Grove, N. C., Rev. S. B. Klapp at Antioch (W,) N. c., Rev. W. G. Clements at Liberty (R), N. c.

We do not favor endorsing the proposed arrangement for preaching at High Point, N. c., but think an ordainad minister should have charge there and recommend that this committee try to effect such an arrangement.

Several other points have appealed to us for help but we have no more available funds.

We recommend the same assessments for Home Missions for next year as for the past and for new churches admitted this conference one dollar each.

We insist that quarterly reports be sent to the chairman within ten days after expiration of the quarter, and, if not, that the orders for appropriation shall not be given until the expiration of the next succeeding quarter.

We recommend a change in the pastoral charge at Keyser, N. C.

We recommend that the chairman of this committee visit as many of the points receiving aid, as he can during the year and carefully inquire as to the outlook at these points, and that his expenses and that a reasonable compensation for time necessarily engaged be allowed him.

We find that at the close of last conference there was no further "overplus" as referred to in the ninth recommendation of this committee in its report at that time.

There is a beautiful lot of land in East Durham, N. C., that has been donated to the Christian church. We recommend that Bro. James F. Pleasant work at this point in trying to build up a church.

J. W. HOLT,
H. C. KING,
W. S. PETTY,
Com.

On motion an opportunity was given to raise one hundred dollars each on pastors salary of Durham and Raleigh churches. Subscription for Durham $85.00, Raleigh $95.00.

By motion that part of the report relative to Keyser church, and all matters relative to Rev. P. T. Way, referred to the Executive committee.

The report as amended adopted.

For assessments 1894 see tabulated statement of assessments.

The committee on Annuals reported 462 paid for.

On motion the money and list was ordered turned over to the publisher.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH EXTENSION.

We your committee wish to call very special attention to the importance of church extension. Without a house in which to worship God we cannot make progress in our work as we ought. We find several places where we could build up new churches if we had means sufficient to aid them in their infantile state.

1. We recommend that a special effort be made to raise the full amounts asked for next year.
2. We recommend that the churches each pay 5c per member for church extension the ensuing year.
3. We recommend that the Palmyra house and lot be sold and the amount placed in the hands of the committee on church extension.
4. We recommend the appropriation of $30.00 to Belews Creek.
5. We recommend the appropriation of $30.00 to Piney Plain.
6. We recommend the appropriation of $35.00 Goshen Chapel.
7. We recommend the appropriation of $25.00 to Antioch (W.)
8. We recommend the appropiation of $10.00 to Sage Garden.
9. We recommend that the above named amounts be made payable

to the pastor of each church to aid in their building purposes at said places.

S. B. KLAPP,
J. W. FUQUAY,
G. R. UNDERWOOD.
Com.

On motion the report adopted.

On motion that item of the report relative to sale of Palmyra house and lot was referred to the Executive committee.

On motion the following resolution was unanimously adopted by rising note.

RESOLVED, That this conference tender this church and the entire community its hearty appreciation and thanks for their kind hospitality shown us while in their midst.

The matter contained in the Report of the committee on Finance relative to the death of one of the Treasurer's securities, was on motion referred to the Executive committee of this Conference.

By motion the roll of churches was called, and quite an additional number of Annuals were paid for.

By motion this Conference requests the Board of Missions of the American Christian Convention, to aid on pastor's support, with as large appropriations as possible both at Durham and Raleigh, and at the same time thanking the Board for what they have so kindly donated.

By motion the secretary was instructed to draw orders for amounts appropriated in report of committee on church extension.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be tendered Rev. C. C. Peel for the able annual sermon delivered by him before this body and that he be requested to furnish a copy of the same to the CHRISTIAN SUN for publication.

On motion Rev. J. O. Atkinson was selected to preach the annual sermon at next session of this conference. Rev. W. C. Wicker was chosen as alternate.

By motion any minister of this conference attending a sister conference be requested to bear fraternal greetings.

On motion the treasurer was ordered to pay the secre-

tary, Rev. J. L. Foster $25.00 for his services for 1893 from the conference fund.

Rev. W. G. Clements and Bro. J. H. Moring were appointed a committee to examine today's proceedings before publication.

By motion conference went into the election of delegates to the American Christian Convention and on motion were elected by acclamation. The following were elected: Revs. W. G. Clements, J. W. Holt, P. T. Klapp, W. C. Wicker, J. O. Atkinson.

The chair appointed the following standing committees:

Executive: Revs. J. W. Wellons. J. D. Wicker, W. G. Clements.

Education: Revs. W. S. Long, J. W. Wellons, W. C. Wicker, J. O. Atkinson, W. T. Herndon.

Sunday Schools: Revs. P. T. Way, J. A. Jones, Prof. J. H. Moring.

Temperance: Revs. T. W. Stroud, G. R. Underwood, Bro. J. A. Mills.

Home Missions: Revs. J. W. Holt, J. D. Wicker, Bro. J. H. Fleming.

Foreign Missions: Revs. P. T. Klapp, C. C. Peel, J. O. Atkinson.

Church Extension: Revs. S. B. Klapp, W. H. Roach, J. A. Massey.

Religious Literature: Rev. W. G. Clements, Bro. S. A. Holleman, Rev. G. R. Underwood.

By motion conference proceeded to license Bro. J. A. Massey and W. D. Harward. President Read requested Rev. W. S. Long to officiate, which he did in a very impressive manner. The ordaining Presbytery as follows: Revs. W. S. Long, J. W. Wellons and W. T. Herndon came forward and Rev. J. O. Atkinson being presented they then proceeded with the ordaining services, which were of a very interesting nature.

By motion the matter of printing the minutes was referred to the executive committee.

On motion a vote of thanks was tendered the president, Hon. S. P. Read, for the very able and impartial manner in which he has presided over this body. After the vote the president responded to this token of appreciation, in a few expressive, loving, and appreciative remarks.

On motion conference adjourned to meet with the Burlington Christian church in Alamance county, N. C., on Tuesday after the third Sunday in November, 1894.

The Conference joined in singing "Praise God from whom all blessings flow." Benediction by Rev. W. S. Long.

J. L. FOSTER, Sec.
Raleigh, N. C.

S. P. READ, Pres.—,
Palmer Springs, Va.

W. C. WICKER, Ass't Sec.,
Union Ridge, N. C.

ASSESSEENTS FOR 1894.

Churches.	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Educate young preachers	Church extension	Conference Fund
Antioch, (C).	$ 5 00	$ 2 00	$ 5 00	$ 3 55	$ 71
Antioch (W).	5 00	3 00	5 00	2 35	47
Apple's Chapel	20 00	10 00	10 00	10 85	2 17
Auburn,	6 00	4 00	5 00	2 25	45
Amelia,	1 00	1 00	1 00		
Big Falls,	3 00	2 00	2 00	1 60	32
Bethlehem,	35 00	20 00	12 00	17 75	3 55
Beulah,	5 00	4 00	3 00	4 50	90
Burlington,	8 00	8 00	8 00	4 30	86
Bethany,	3 00	2 00	2 00	1 70	34
Rethel,	5 00	5 00	3 00	2 40	48
Catawba Springs,	18 00	8 00	5 00	4 70	94
Christian Chapel,	15 00	6 00	8 00	9 35	1 87
Concord,	5 00	3 00	3 00	2 60	52
Center Grove,	4 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	40
Christian Light,	5 00	3 00	2 00	2 15	43
Clover Orchard,	5 00	3 00	2 00	4 15	83
Damascus,	17 00	10 00	8 00	4 75	95
Durham,	5 00	4 00	2 00	2 50	50
Ebenezer,	12 00	4 00	2 00	5 30	1 06
Egypt,	3 00	2 00	2 00	2 35	47
Elon College,	18 00	10 00	5 00	2 05	41
Grace's Chapel,	5 00	3 00	2 00	4 30	86
Good Hope,	7 00	3 00	5 00	3 75	75
Goshen Chapel,	5 00	2 00	1 00	1 55	31
Graham,	1 00	1 00	1 00		
Hines' Chapel,	15 00	7 00	8 00	10 25	2 03
Happy Home,	5 00	5 00	5 00	2 95	59
Hayes' Chapel,	8 00	6 00	8 00	6 65	1 33
Howard's Chapel,	8 00	4 00	3 00	3 95	79
High Point,	5 00	4 00	5 00	2 95	59
Hank's Chapel,	12 00	10 00	10 00	7 05	1 41
Hebron,	10 00	5 00	6 00	3 95	79
Ingram,	10 00	8 00	5 00	2 80	56
Keyser,	5 00	2 00	5 00		
Kallum Grove,	5 00	3 00	5 00	2 80	56
Lebanon,	12 00	6 00	5 00	6 35	1 27
Liberty (V),	10 00	7 50	6 00	7 50	1 50
Liberty (R),	4 00	2 00	3 00	1 50	30
Long's Chapel,	15 00	8 00	5 00	5 70	1 14
Lexington,	1 00	2 00	4 00	2 80	56
Mt. Auburn,	20 00	13 00	10 00	9 10	1 82
Mt. Bethel,	10 00	5 00	4 00	3 50	70
Mt. Carmel,	3 00	3 00	3 00	1 65	33

Mt. Hermon,	6 00	2 00	3 00	2 75	55
Mt. Zion,	6 00	4 00	2 00	3 35	67
Mt. Pleasant,	4 00	2 00	2 00	1 30	26
Martha's Chapel,	6 00	7 00	3 00	2 95	59
Moore Union,	6 00	4 00	3 00	3 25	65
Morrisville,	3 00	3 00	5 00	1 80	36
Mt. Vernon,	9 00	2 00	1 00	80	16
New Elam,	12 00	6 00	6 00	4 80	96
New Hope,	4 00	4 00	4 00	3 05	61
New Hill,	2 00	1 00	3 00	1 40	28
New Providence,	25 00	20 00	12 00	12 15	2 42
O'Kelley's Chapel,	13 00	8 00	8 00	5 10	1 02
Oak Level,	13 00	7 00	6 00	6 40	1 28
Pleasant Grove, Va.	25 00	20 00	15 00	11 60	2 32
Pleasant Hill (C),	13 00	6 00	6 00	5 85	1 17
Pleasant Union,	6 00	4 00	4 00	2 70	54
Pleasant Hill (J),	10 00	4 00	5 00	4 75	95
Pleasant Ridge,	5 00	2 00	4 00	3 05	61
Pope's Chapel,	15 00	6 00	6 00	5 35	1 07
Poplar Branch,	5 00	2 00	2 00	1 60	32
Plymouth,	8 00	3 00	3 00	3 80	76
Pleasant Grove (J),	1 00	3 00	3 00	80	16
Palmyra,	1 00	1 00	1 00	--	
Piney Plain,	3 00	2 00	1 00	1 70	24
Raleigh,	10 00	5 00	5 00	2 50	30
Spilona,	5 00	2 00	2 00	2 65	53
Shallow Ford,	8 00	3 00	5 00	6 50	1 30
Shallow Well,	15 00	8 00	8 00	5 70	1 14
Salem Chapel,	12 00	5 00	5 00	6 35	1 27
Sage Garden,	5 00	2 00	2 00	70	14
Turner's Chapel,	5 00	3 00	3 00	2 35	47
Union, Va,	10	8 00	5 00	8 45	1 69
Union, N. C.	30 00	20 00	12 00	14 65	2 93
Wake Chapel,	15 00	10 00	10 00	9 45	1 89
Walnut Cove,	4 00	3 00	2 00	1 55	31
Winder,	2 00	2 00	1 00	--	
Youngsville,	6 00	4 00	3 00	2 45	49
Zion,	10 00	7 00	5 00	9 05	1 81
Belew's Creek,	1 00	1 00		60	12

FINANCIAL STATISTICAL TABLE of the N. C. & Va. CONFERENCE.

Churches.	Amount promised pastor	Amount paid pastor	Amount paid for schools and colleges	Am't assessed for home missions	Amount paid for home missions	Am't assessed for foreign missions	Am't paid for foreign Missions	Am't assessed to educate young preachers	Am't paid to educate young preachers	Am't assessed for church extention	Am't paid fos church extention	Am't assessed for conference fund	Am't paid for conference fund	Am't raised for other purpnses	Total	Value of church property	Total am't raised by Sunday school
Antioch, (C),				5 00		3 00		5 00		3 85		77	73		73	300	2 50
Antioch (W),	50 00	36 11		5 00	3 00	2 00	2 00	5 00	1 07	1 65	1 65	33	33	100 00	144 16	500	6 00
Auburn,	75 00	51 24		6 00	5 00	4 00	4 00	5 00		2 15	1 43	43	43	10 86	72 16	70	8 00
Apple's Chapel,	75 00	58 15		20 00	5 00	8 00	4 50	10 00		10 65		2 13	1 37	15 35	84 47	120	1 50
Amelia,				1 00		1 00		1 00									
Big Falls,				3 00		2 00		2 00		1 60		32					5 90
Bethlehem,	200 00	200 00		35 00	35 00	20 00	20 00	12 00	12 00	16 45	16 45	3 29	3 29	484 89	771 63	500	70 89
Beulah,	60 00	33 80		5 00	3 10	4 00	1 50	3 00	1 50	3 85	1 50	77	80		42 00	300	4 00
Burlington,	250 00	190 00		8 00	8 00	6 00	6 00	5 00	5 00	3 35	3 35	67	67	1000 00	1213 00	5000	
Bethany,	30 00	25 20		3 00	2 70	2 00	2 00	2 00		1 05		21			29 90		3 00
Bethel,	55 00	55 00		5 00	5 00	4 00	4 00	3 00	3 00	1 75	1 75	35	35	21 75	99 85	1200	5 00
Catawba Springs,	100 00	100 00		18 00	11 09	8 00	5 00	5 00	2 50	4 20	4 25	84	95	10 00	133 9	700	5 00
Christian Chapel,	75 00	65 00		15 00		10 00		8 00		10 55		2 11	1 00	100 00	166 00	3000	1 75
Concord,	35 00	35 00		5 00	2 80	3 00		3 00		2 45		49		4 15	41 95	800	2 00
Center Grove,	50 00	50 00		4 00	2 68	2 00	2 00	2 00		2 00		40	39		55 07	1000	5 30
Christian Light,	45 00	35 25		5 00	2 24	3 00	1 60	2 00		2 40	80	48			39 88	500	6 00
Clover Orchard,	50 00	35 00		5 00	3 11	3 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	5 20	1 00	1 04	1 04		44 15	250	8 00
Damascus,	125 00	125 00		17 00	17 00	8 00	8 00	8 00	8 00	5 35	5 35	1 07	1 07	2 27	166 69	1500	15 00
Durham,	100 00	122 70		5 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	2 00	2 00	2 80	2 80	56	56		136 06	2000	40 00
Ebenezer,	32 80	52 89		12 00	5 73	4 00	4 00	7 00		4 90		98	98	5 00	68 51	300	5 00
Egypt,	75 00	45 00		3 00	3 00	2 00	2 00	2 00		1 85	1 85	37	37		52 22		2 50
Elon College,	50 00	41 50		18 00	10 20	8 00	8 00	5 00	5 00	1 80	1 80	36	36		67 00		34 10
Grace's Chapel,	50 00	50 00		5 00	4 15	3 00	3 00	2 00	1 27	4 30	2 59	86	39	21 38	82 78	1000	3 00
Good Hope,	65 00	37 00		7 00	75	3 00	75	5 00		3 75	50	75			39 00	1000	4 00
Goshen Chapel,	20 00	20 00		5 00	1 30	2 00	38	1 00		1 50		30	32	150 00	173 00	200	4 00
Graham,				1 00		1 00		1 00									
Hank's Chapel,	75 00	75 00		12 00	8 00	10 00	3 83	10 00		5 80	3 34	1 16	1 41		91 58	300	7 90
Happy Home,	125 00	61 15		5 00	1 50	5 00	1 50	5 00	50	2 60	75	52	51		65 91	600	2 00
Hayes' Chapel,	100 00	85 90		8 00	8 00	6 00		8 00		6 50		1 30	2 10	5 00	101 00	800	12 00
Hebron,	120 00	30 00		10 00	2 00	4 00	1 05	6 00		4 90		98	81	50 00	83 86	500	
Hines' Chapel,	100 00	101 10		15 00	5 00	6 00	2 00	8 00	2 00	9 90	3 80	1 98	36	11 39	125 65	800	9 53

TABLE OF CHURCHES and SUNDAY SCHOOLS of the N. C. & Va. C[illegible]

Churches	Pastors	Secretaries and their post-offices	No reported last session	Received since	Dismissed by letter	Suspended	Withdrawn	Died	Expelled	Present membership	Sunday School Superintendent	Secretaries and their post-offices	No of Sunday Schools	No of Classes	No officers and teachers	No of Pupils	Tot enrolled w/ Sund'y sch'l			Amount raised by School
Antioch (C).	J W Hatch	Lonnie Oldham, Goldston, *	77			2	2	2		71	G M Forschee	J J Dowdy, Goldston, ‡	1	3	6	40	46			3 60
Antioch (W).	S B Klapp	Mrs N J Harris, Elams, *	33	14						47	Mrs N J Harris	C H Harriss, Elams, ‡	1	7	13	40	53			6 00
Auburn,	W H Roach	William Watts, Auburn, *	43	2						45	N A Branch	I w Mangum Auburn, ‡	1	2	4	25	29			3 00
Apple's Chapel	A F Iseley	Z Christman, Liberty Store, *	213	14	7			1	2	217	Alfred Apple	w F Andrews, Company Mills ‡	1	7	10	58	68			1 60
Amelia,																				
Big Falls,			32							32										5 00
Bethlehem.	W T Herndon	L D Rippey, Altamahaw, *	329	4	2			6		355	W S Sutton	Miss Annie Morton, Altamahaw, *	1	9	13	105	118			0 89
Beulah,	C Williams	J B Edwards, Hartsville, *	77	17	1				3	90	C G Mitchell	D G Mitchell, Hartsville,*	1	3	5	60	65			4 00
Burlington,	C C Peel	W R Holt, Burlington, *	67	22	2				1	86	W C Iseley	walter Sellars, Burlington, ‡	1	2	16	110	126			[illegible]
Bethany,	[illegible]	[illegible]								34	[illegible]	[illegible], Black Wood, *	2	4	6	34	40			3 00
Bethel,	F W Stroud	L H Walker, Anderson Store, *	35	13			1			48	J M Fitch	L H walker, Anderson Store, *	1	8	8	50	58			5 00
Catawba Springs,	W H Roach	P M Franks, Raleigh, *	84	13	1			2		94	C H Stephenson	S M Rowland, Raleigh, *	1	3	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			5 00
Christian Chapel,	J A Jones	L S Mann, Corinth, *	211	3	4	16	2	3	2	187	R C Rowland	J M Pollard, Merry Oaks, *	1	4	8	52	60			1 75
Concord,	H L Hines	G G Anderson, Milesville, *	49	5	1			1		52	J W Massey	w G Massy, Milesville, a	1	4	4	25	29			2 00
Center Grove,	G R Underwood	T J Bland, Tyson's Mills, *	40							40	T J Bland	R L white, Tysors Mill,*	1	2	5	40	45			5 30
Christian Light,	J A Whiteman	J R Brown, May, *	48	2	3			2	2	43	F H Thomas	A F Arnold, May,*	1	4	5	48	53			6 00
Clover Orchard,	A F Iseley,	J C Griffin, Holman's Mill, *	108	2	1	2	[illegible]	1		83	J C Griffin	Minnie workman, Holman's Mill, *	1	3	5	65	70			8 00
Damascus.	P T Klapp	M A McGauley, Chapel Hill, *	107	9		2		1		95	I w Pritchard	A L Ivey, Lindsay, ‡	1	6	10	41	51			15 00
Durham,	J W Wellons	J M McLennon, Durham. *	56	31	4	20	4	1	2	50	J M McLennon	A M Culberson, Durham. ‡	1	5	7	40	47			40 00
Ebenezer,	J A Jones	I N Carpenter, Raleigh, *	98	10			1	1		106	J N Carpenter	M J Carlton, Flint, ‡	1	2	5	25	30	1		5 00
Egypt,	J A Whiteman	W N Gunter, Egypt, *	37	12			[illegible]			47	Brooks Beal	Jno. w Mills, Egypt, ‡	1	7	9	50	59			2 60
Elon College.	W S Long	Miss Berta Moring, Elon College, *	36	5						41	W Howard	w T Sears, Elon College, ‡	1	10	14	90	104			34 10
Grace's Chapel,	S B Klapp	J N Johnson, Sanford, *	86	5			3	1	1	86	J H Phillips		1	7	10	50	60			3 00
Good Hope,	J D Wicker	J D Pleasants Pernells, *	75	5			2		3	75	W A Hanse	J D Pleasants, Pernell's, ‡	1	2	3	25	28			4 00
Goshen Chapel,	S B Klapp	Sallie N. Gill, Berea, *	30	1						31			1	4	6	40	46		no	4 00
Graham,																				
Hank's Chapel,	G R Underwood	W H Hatch, Pittsboro, *	116	34	5			4		141	J W Hatch	w H Hatch, Pittsboro, ‡	1	3	8	50	58		yes	7 90
Happy Home,	J W Holt	J w Foster, Oregon, *	52	7						59	W D Wall	J w Foster, Orgon, ‡	1	4	6	60	66		[illegible]	2 00
Hayes' Chapel,	J L Foster	Lonnie M Barbee, Garner, *	130	7			2	3	1	133	W L Moring	L M Barbee, Garner, ‡	1	4	6	56	62		yes	12 00
Hebron,	P T Way	L H Yancey, Averetts, †	98		2	1	2	2		79										
Hines' Chapel,	J W Holt	W A Heath, Greensboro, *	98	12	3	1	1	2		203	Robert Smith	Jas. J Busick, Greensboro, ‡	2	5	7	70	77		yes	9 58
Howard's Chapel,			79							79										
High Point,			59							59										
Ingram,	P T Klapp	L E Carlton, Ingrams. †	37	21						56	S L Davis	J C Pierce, Ingrams, ‡	1	3	4	40	44		yes	10 00
Kallum Grove,	T B Dawson	D F Wilson, Bason, *	52	6		2				56	Green Craig	Jno. McBride, Bason, ‡	1	4	6	50	56		no	5 00
Keyser,																				
Lebanon,	C G Peel	Miss Dora Covington, Semora, *	130	4			2	3	2	127	W H Wells	S O wells, Semora, ‡	1	8	21	71	92		no	30 00
Long's Chapel,	P H Fleming	W J Fitch, McCray *	104	12					2	114	H C King	E L King McCray, ‡	1	3	5	35	40		yes	7 10
Liberty (V),	J D Wicker	W A Cunningham, Henderson, *	153	4		1		4	2	150	H R Hoyle	T w Lassiter, Epsom, ‡	1	6	6	40	46	40	no	6 00
Liberty (R),	W G Clements	T A Moffit, Liberty, *	32							36	J R Reitzell	T w Trogden, Liberty ‡	1	3	8	50	55		yes	10 00
Lexington,	W H Roach	E D Turner, Lexington, *	16	42					1	56	H M Turner	J D Holt, Lexington, ‡	1	7	9	65	74		yes	7 60
Mt. Auburn,	P T Klapp	S P Read, Palmer Springs, †	169	17	[illegible]			1		182	S P Read	J D Moss, Newman, ‡	1	8	16	65	81	50	no	12 08
Mt. Bethel,	T B Dawson	D J Cumings, Bason, *	55	15						70	J H Thacker	D J Cummings, Bason, ‡	1	3	5	30	35		no	3 00
Mt. Carmel,	J D wicker	W J Wilson, Wilton, *	35			1			1	33	J W Wilson	Miss M L way, Milton, ‡	1	6	6	40	46	100	yes	7 84
Mt. Hermon,	C H Rowland	W I Beasley, Auburn, *	52	6		1	1		1	55	J E Langston	w M Powell, Auburn, ‡	1	3	6	59	65		yes	2 50
Mt. Zion.	W J Laine	Mrs Mary Bradley, Pleasant Grove, +	65	5				2	1	67	A F McAdams	Miss Hattie Richmond, Pleasant Grov	1	3	5	30	35	84	yes	4 00
Mt. Vernon,	[illegible]	Mrs Ella Jennings Burlington,	[illegible]	[illegible]						16										
Mt. Pleasant,	J A Whiteman	J A Wright, Inverness, *	37	2		13				26										
Martha's Chapel,	W G Wicker	W A Ellington, Elm Grove, *	62	1	3		1			59	w A Ellington	H Mulholland, Elm Grove, ‡	1	5	7	30	37	50	yes	10 00
Moore Union,	S B Klapp	A C Yarboro, Forkade, *	68	9	1	10		1		65	L R Spivey	B w Maddox, Lonely, ‡	1	3	5	40	45		yes	4 00
Morrisville,	J A Jones	J H Moring, Morrisville, *	29	7						36	[illegible] K Gibson	J A Pugh. Morrisville, ‡	1	2	3	28	31	50	yes	[illegible]
New Elam,	C C Peel	W G Lasater, Merry Oaks, *	117	1		20			2	96	O M Goodwin	J E Sturdevart Merry Oaks, ‡								
New Hope,	C Williams	N A Rodgers Riley's X Roads, *	[illegible]	[illegible]						[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		yes	1 25
New Hill,	A P Barbee	C H Mann, New Hill, *	23							29										
New Providence,	P H Fleming	J A Wood, Burlington, *	230	27	6		6	2		243	w M Andrews	I P Harden, Graham, ‡	1	[illegible]	10	103	113	100	yes	58 67
Oak Level,	J D Wicker	D M Cook Franklinton, *	131	12		10	2		3	128	J C williams	M L williams, Youngsville, ‡	1	1	8	27	35	75	yes	10 00
O'Kelley's Chapel,	W C Wicker	C S Holleman, William's Mills, *	108	4	4		3	1	2	102	C S Holleman	J w Atkins, Durham, ‡	1	4	7	60	67	50	ye	10 00
Pleasant Grove, Va.	P T Klapp,	C A Weatherford, Sora, †	214	27	4			4		232	J J Russell	P w Farmer, News Ferry +	1	7	10	66	76	60	no	21 06
Pleasant Union	J W Fuquay	W J Long, Bowie's Creek, *	61		2			4	1	51	Mrs. J B Long	w M Sexton, Browns Creek, ‡	1	2	4	40	44		yes	3 00
Pleasant Hill (C),	T B Dawson	J W McPherson, Liberty, *	116	3				1	1	117	J w McPherson	Miss Docie Coble, Sandy Grove, ‡	1	7	9	[illegible]	74	[illegible]	no	12 00
Pleasant Hill (J),	L W Mangum	R I Austin, Elevation, *	97	9	5			3	3	95										
Pleasant Ridge,	J W Holt	J H Barker, Summerfield, +	77		1				15	61	T L Highfill	T w Huffines, Holt, ‡	1	3	5	30	35	75	no	8 00
Pleasant Grove (J),			16							16										
Pope's Chapel.	J D Wicker	Miss Annie L. Jones, Franklinton, *	117	2			6	3	3	107	J w House	Miss Annie Hight, Franklinton, ‡	1	5	8	44	[illegible]	40	yes	2 17
Poplar Branch,	J A Whiteman,	Jordan Parrish, Jonesboro, *	35			1		2		32	B F Hunt	J D Johnson, Jonesboro, ‡	1	4	6	20	[illegible]		yes	2 00
Plymouth,	W H Roach	J W Rhodes, Banks, *	76	2		2				76	J Milton Banks		1	3	6	101	[illegible]		yes	6 00
Palmyra,										20										
Piney Plain,	C H Rowland	J L Patrick, Massey, *	29	6	1					34	R S Franklin	w D Stephenson, Massey, ‡	1	4	6	76	[illegible]			[illegible] 00
Raleigh,	J L Foster	D. J. Mood, Raleigh, *	43	9	1		1			50	D J Mood	C A Coley, Raleigh, ‡	1	3	9	79	[illegible]	45	yes	65 00
Spilona,	J A Jones	S. I. Lassiter, Spilona, *	57	3	1	6				53	D B Lassiter	willie H Lassiter, Spilona, ‡	1	2	5	25	[illegible]			[illegible] 00
Shallow Ford,	W J Laine,	W D Walker, Burlington, *	130							130	w D walker	L T Barber, Elon College, ‡	1	5	7	80	[illegible]		yes	[illegible] 00
Shallow Well,	G R Underwood	J D Gunter, Jonesboro, *	108	16	1			1	2	114	J B watson	J D Gunter, Jonesboro, ‡	1	6	10	55	[illegible]		yes	[illegible] 92
Salem Chapel,	J W Holt	Isaac Dalton, Salem Chapel, *	100	30	2			1		127	H F Samuel	A F Haslip, Salem Chapel, ‡	1	4	10	60	[illegible]		yes	[illegible] 00
Sage Garden	J W Parker	John A. Holder, Kernerville, *	17			3				14										
Turner's Chapel,	J W Hatch	A W Wicker, Sanford, *	43	6		2				47	S M Johnson	E H Johnson, Sanford, ‡	1	2	7	40	[illegible]	12	yes	5 00
Union, Va.	S B Klapp	D S Bray, Hyco, †	177		1		1	1	5	169	w D Gregory	I H Overby, Cristie, +	1	4	6	35	[illegible]		no	13 90
Union, N. C.	W C Wicker	J D Wilkins, Union Ridge, *	309	11	2	21		4		293	w J Graham	Geo. Graham Union Ridge, ‡	1	4	6	60	[illegible]		ye	6 00
Wake Chapel,	W G Clements	J E Ballentine, Varina, *	174	20	1		2	2		189	J E Ballentine	willie Jones, Ballentines Mills, ‡	1	4	8	50	[illegible]			10 00
Walnut Cove,	J D Wicker	A T Grissom, Grissom, *	38			6			1	31										
Winder,										39										
Youngsville,	W G Clements	T L Moss, Youngsville, N C.	60	16	1	10	2			49	J C winston	T L Moss Youngsville, ‡	1	4	8	64	[illegible]			6 70
Zion,	G R Underwood	W A Wicker, Bryant, *	173	2	5			1	2	181	T L wicker	R F Johnson, Bryant, ‡	1	5	8	50	[illegible]	25	ye	[illegible] 00
Belew's Creek.	J W Holt	V O Roberson, Belews Creek, *								12	J G Orrell	L S Roberson, Belews Creek, ‡	1	5	8	85	93			1 00

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High Point,				5 00		4 00		5 00		2 95		59						
Ingram,	125 00	105 50		10 00	9 00	8 00	6 00	5 00	4 65	1 75	1 75	35	35		127 25	1260	10 00
Kallum Grove,	70 00	49 06		5 00		3 00		5 00		2 60		52			49 06	500	5 00
Keyser,				5 00		2 00		5 00		1 20		24					
Lebanon,	125 00	117 00		12 00	12 00	6 00	6 00	5 00	2 00	6 50		1 30		100 00	237 00	2000	30 00
Long's Chapel,	200 00	200 00	30 00	25 00	15 00	7 00	7 00	10 00	5 61	5 20	5 20	1 04	1 04	18 67	282 52	1000	7 10
Liberty (V),	102 50	102 50		10 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	6 00		7 66	5 00	1 53	1 50		144 00	1000	6 00
Liberty (R),	15 50	15 50		4 00	2 00	2 00		3 00		1 60		32	50		18 00	1000	10 00
Lexington,	34 00	34 00		1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	4 00	4 00	80	80	16	16		41 48		7 50
Mt Auburn,	150 00	150 00	30 00	20 00	20 00	12 00	12 00	10 00	10 00	8 45	8 45	1 69	1 69	37 50	269 64	500	12 08
Mt Bethel,	75 00	55 75		10 00		5 00		4 00		2 75		55			55 75	800	3 00
Mt Carmel,	30 00	30 00		3 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	3 00		1 75		35	25		36 25	500	7 84
Mt Harmon,	40 00	40 00		6 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	3 00		2 60		52	52	18 80	66 42	700	2 50
Mt Zion,	75 00	54 85		6 00	6 00	4 00	1 56	2 00	2 00	3 25	3 25	65	65	35 00	103 31	1000	4 00
Mt Vernon,		5 00		3 00	3 00	2 00		1 00		75		15			8 00		
Mt Pleasant,	50 00	28 48		4 00	1 00	2 00	1 46	2 00		1 85	10	37	21		31 17	500	
Martha's Chapel,	75 00	53 00		6 00	5 55	6 00	4 85	2 00		3 10		62	45		183 80	1000	10 00
Moore Union,	50 00	43 50		6 00	32	4 00	4 00	3 00	32	3 40		68	71	10 00	58 85	300	4 00
Morrisville,	75 00	75 00		6 00	6 00	3 00	3 00	5 00	5 00	1 45	1 45	29	29	50 00	140 74	500	15 00
New Elam,	125 00	125 00		12 00		8 00		6 00		5 85		1 17		750 00	875 00	800	12 00
New Hope,	50 00	50 00		4 00	4 00	4 00	3 00	4 00	1 50	2 65	1 50	53	05		60 50	500	1 25
New Hill,				2 00		1 00		3 00		1 40		28				500	
New Providence,	225 00	225 00		25 00	12 50	20 00	10 00	12 00	6 00	11 50	5 75	2 30	1 15	261 55	521 95	2500	56 57
Oak Level,	125 00	125 00		13 00	13 00	8 00	8 00	6 00	4 00	6 55		1 31	1 31		151 31	1000	10 00
O'Kelley's Chapel,	100 00	62 75		13 00	7 00	10 00	8 76	8 00	30	5 40		1 08	1 03		79 84	700	10 00
Pleasant Grove, Va.	300 00	300 00		25 00	25 00	20 00	20 00	15 00	15 00	10 70	10 70	2 14	2 14	17 75	390 59	2500	21 00
Pleasant Hill (C),	65 00	46 45		13 00	4 00	6 00	1 00	6 00		6 15	1 25	1 23	50	10 00	63 20	1000	12 00
Pleasant Union,	24 35	24 35		6 00	2 51	4 00	2 61	4 00		3 05		61	54		30 02	400	3 00
Pleasant Hill (J),	35 00	25 00		10 00	2 00	4 00		5 00		4 85		97			27 00	500	
Pleasant Ridge,	60 00	43 00		15 00	3 00	2 00	2 00	4 00		3 75	1 00	75	60		49 60	800	3 00
Pleasant Grove (J),				1 00		5 00		3 00		80		16					
Pope's Chapel,	100 00	87 72		15 00	2 00	6 00	1 00	6 00		5 85		1 17	1 17		91 83	1000	2 17
Poplar Branch,	50 00	45 03		5 00	11	2 00	2 00	2 00		1 60		32	33		47 37	1000	2 00
Plymouth,	50 00	42 00		8 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	3 00		3 80		76		10 00	60 00	550	6 00
Palmyra,				1 00		1 00		1 00									
Piney Plain,	13 60	13 60		3 00		1 00		1 00		1 45		29		223 00	236 60	500	6 00
Raleigh,	300 00	251 87	490 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	2 15	2 15	43	50	316 70	1081 22	7000	65 00
Spilona,	50 00	20 00		5 00		2 00	81	2 00		2 85	38	57	52		21 71	700	2 00
Shallow Ford,	50 00	50 00		8 00	8 00	2 00	2 00	5 00	5 00	6 50	6 50	1 30	1 30	39 00	111 80	1200	20 00
Shallow Well,	100 00	100 00		15 00	4 66	8 00	5 00	8 00		4 25		85	85	65 00	175 51	1000	6 92
Salem Chapel,	100 00	65 00		12 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	5 00		5 00	1 00	1 00	33	15 75	88 08	600	13 00
Sage Garden,	21 50	21 50		5 00	3 45	2 00		2 00		85		17			24 95	400	
Turner's Chapel,	50 00	24 50		5 00		3 00	2 24	3 00		2 15		43	40		27 17	500	5 00
Union, Va.,	73 00	75 00		10 00	4 85	7 00	2 83	5 00	52	8 85	6 85	1 17	42	75 00	165 47	1000	13 90
Union, N. C,	200 00	147 65		30 00	15 00	25 00	11 15	22 00		15 45		3 09	2 43		176 23	1000	6 00
Wake Chapel,	100 00	100 00	100 00	15 00	15 00	8 00	2 00	10 00	2 00	8 70	1 76	1 74	1 74	75 00	197 50	1000	10 00
Walnut Cove,	50 00	52 00		4 00	4 00	2 50	2 50	2 50		1 90		38	38	4 80	65 88	300	
Winder,				2 00		2 00		1 00									
Youngsville,	75 00	48 80		6 00	2 00	5 00	90	3 00		3 00		60	36		52 06	1500	5 70
Zion,	100 00	100 00		10 00	1 16	7 00	1 17	5 00		8 65		1 73	1 77		104 10	1500	5 00
Below's Creek,																150	12 00

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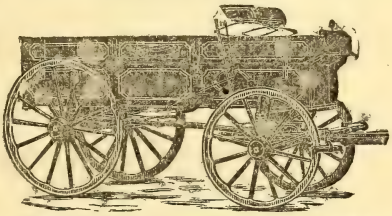

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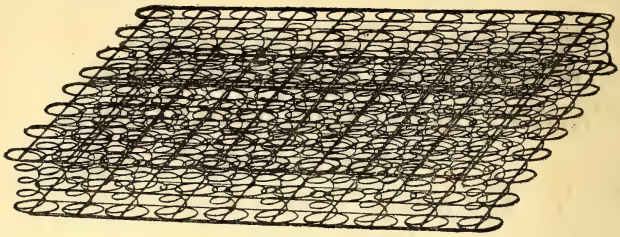

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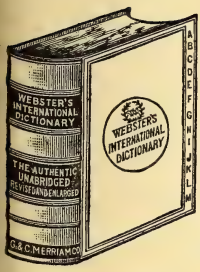

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ECLIPSES FOR 1895.

Five Eclipses occur this year, two of the Moon and three of the Sun, as follows:

I. A total Eclipse of the Moon, March 10th, visible in North and South America, Europe and western Asia. Eclipse begins at 8:54 p. m. and ends at 12 o'clock midnight.

II. A partial Eclipse of the Sun, March 26th, invisible in the United States; visible in western Europe, England, western Spain, Portugal and France; also in the Northeastern provinces of British America.

III. A partial Eclipse of the Sun, August 20th, invisible in America; visible in northwestern Asia and Europe East of St. Petersburg.

IV. A total Eclipse of the Moon, September 3d-4th visible in North and South America, Western Europe and Africa. Begins at 11 p. m., and ends at 2:54 o'clock a. m.

V. A partial Eclipse of the Sun, September 18th, visible in northern Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific Ocean.

THE SEASONS.

Winter begins,	1894,	December 21 d 3 h evening.
Spring "	1895,	March 20 d 4 h evening.
Summer "	1895,	June 21 d 0 h evening
Autumn "	1895,	September 23 d 2 h morning.
Winter "	1895,	December 21 d 8 h evening.

MOON'S PHASES—STANDARD TIME—75th Mer.

JANUARY.

	DAY.	HOUR.	MIN.	
First Quarter	4	2	52	Morning.
Full Moon	11	1	50	"
Last Quarter	17	5	55	Evening.
New Moon	25	4	26	"

Moon Perigee 11th. Moon Apogee 26th.

FEBRUARY.

First Quarter	2	7	16	Evening
Full Moon	9	0	23	"
Last Quarter	16	8	9	Morning
New Moon	24	11	44	"

Moon Perigee 9th. Moon Apogee 22d.

MARCH.

First Quarter	4	7	40	Morning.
Full Moon	10	10	38	Evening
Last Quarter	18	0	32	Morning
New Moon	26	5	25	"

Moon Perigee 9th. Moon Apogee 22d.

APRIL.

First Quarter	2	4	28	Evening.
Full Moon	9	8	43	Morning.
Last Quarter	16	6	22	Evening.
New Moon	24	8	11	"

Moon Perigee 6th. Moon Apogee 18th.

MAY.

First Quarter	1	10	44	Evening.
Full Moon	8	6	59	"
Last Quarter	16	0	44	"
New Moon	24	7	46	Morning
First Quarter	31	3	48	"

Moon Perigee 9-29th. Moon Apogee 16th.

JUNE.

Full Moon	7	6	0	Morning.
Last Quarter	15	6	28	"
New Moon	22	4	51	Evening.
First Quarter	29	9	1	Morning.

Moon Apogee 13th. Moon Perigee 25th.

JULY

Full Moon	6	6	29	Evening.
Last Quarter	14	10	31	Evening.
New Moon	22	0	32	Morning.
First Quarter	28	3	36	Evening.

Moon Apogee 11th. Moon Perigee 23d.

AUGUST

Full Moon	5	8	51	Morning.
Last Quarter	14	0	18	Moring.
New Moon	20	7	56	Morning.
First Quarter	27	0	43	Morning.

Moon Apogee 7th. Moon Perigee 20th.

SEPTEMBER

Full Moon	4	0	55	Morning.
Last Quarter	11	11	51	Evening.
New Moon	18	3	55	Evening.
First Quarter	25	1	23	Evening.

Moon Apogee 3-30th. Moon Perigee 18th.

OCTOBER

Full Moon	3	5	47	Evening.
Last Quarter	11	9	34	Morning.
New Moon	18	1	10	Morning.
First Quarter	25	6		Morning.

Moon Perigee 16th. Moon Apogee 28th.

NOVEMBER

Full Moon	2	10	18	Morning.
Last Quarter	9	6	6	Evening.
New Moon	16	0	11	Evening.
First Quarter	24	2	19	Morning.

Moon Perigee 13th. Moon Apogee 25th.

DECEMBER

Full Moon	2	1	38	Morning.
Last Quarter	9	2	9	Morning.
New Moon	16	1	30	Morning.
First Quarter	24	0	21	Morning.
Full Moon	31	3	31	Evening.

Moon Perigee 9th. Moon Apogee 23d.

Proceedings
OF THE
GENERAL CONVENTION
OF THE
Christian Church, South.

Held at Norfolk, Va., May 4-7, 1894.

NORFOLK, VA., Fri., May 4, 1894.

The General Convention of the Christian Church met to-day, May 4th, 1894, at 11 o'clock a. m., in the Norfolk Christian Memorial Temple, and was called to order by Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., President. Rev. J. W. Wellons conducted the opening exercises by reading Psalm 117, singing hymn. No. 216, "Blest be the tie that binds," and prayer.

The roll of Conferences was called, certificates of election were handed in and the names of members enrolled as follows:

NORTH CAROLINA AND VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE, Ministers: J. W. Holt, P. H. Fleming, P. T. Klapp, C. C. Peel, W. S. Long, D. D., W. T. Herndon, J. W. Wellons, J. L. Foster, W. G. Clements.

Laymen: J. H. Moring, J. A. Mills, Hon. S. P. Read, W. J. Graham, K. B. Johnson.

EASTERN VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE, Ministers: W. W. Staley, D. D., N. G. Newman, C. J. Jones, D. D., M. L. Hurley, J. P. Barrett, D. D., J. T. Kitchen.

Laymen: Hon. E. E. Holland, W. J. Lee, Col. A. Savage, Hon. I. W. Duck, R. A. Hyslop.

DEEP RIVER CHRISTIAN CONFERENEC, Ministers: J. W. Patton, W. W. Hayworth.

Laymen: Prof. E. L. Moffitt,

VALLEY VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE, Ministers: E. T. Iseley.

Laymen: John S. Martz.

GEORGIA AND ALABAMA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE—Not represented.

The President declared a quorum present. The Convention then proceeded to the election of officers, which resulted in the choice of the following:

Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., President; Hon. E. E. Holland, Vice President; Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Assistant Secretary.

The Secretary, P. J. Kernodle, being present, the Convention was declared organized and ready for the transaction of business. Bro. A. Moring, Treasurer, was absent.

Rev. C. J. Jones, D. D., presented the names of the Executive Board of the American Christian Convention, viz.: Rev. D. A. Long, D. D., President A. C. C., Yellow Springs, Ohio; Rev. J. J. Summerbell, D. D., Secretary A. C. C., Lewisburg, Pa.; Hon. F. A. Palmer, Treasurer A. C. C., New York City; Rev. J. G. Bishop, Secretary Mission Board, Dayton, Ohio; Rev. Martyn Summerbell, D. D., President of Correspondence College and Secretary of Education, Lewiston, Me.; Rev. H. J. Duckworth, Secretary of Publications A. C. C., Mt. Sterling, Ohio; Rev. J. F. Burnett, secretary of Sunday schools, A. C. C. Eaton, Ohio; and also the names of the following visiting brethren, viz: Rev. James Maple, D. D., Milford, N. J.; Rev. J. P. Watson, D. D., Editor Herald of Gospel Liberty, Dayton, Ohio; Rev. Geo. E. Merrill, Publishing Agent, Dayton, Ohio; Rev. T. M. McWhinney, D. D., Marion, Ind.; Rev. Byron Long, Marion, Ind.; Rev. N. Del McReynolds, Urbana, Ohio; Rev. F. S. Child, of the Congregational Church, Fairfield, Conn.; Hon Frank McWhinney, Greenville, Ohio; Rev. C. W. Garoutte, Ripley, Ohio; Rev. C. N. Donaldson, of the Baptist Church, Norfolk, Va.; Rev. W. F. Watson, Spurgeon Memorial Church, Norfolk, Va.

The President received the Board and visitors, and on behalf of the Convention welcomed them to seats with us and to take part in our deliberations.

In response to the President's address of welcome, Rev. D. A. Long, D. D., President of the A. C. C., named Hon. F. A. Palmer who responded on behalf of the Board and visiting brethren, accepting the invitation extended.

Rev. C. N. Donaldson, of Norfolk, Va., extended an invitation to the members of the Convention to attend the lecture of Rev. Sam Small at the Academy of Music and that ministers would be admitted without charge to seats on the platform. On motion of E. E. Holland, Esq., the invitation was accepted. Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., moved the appointment of a Committee on Religious exercises. The motion was carried and Rev. C. J. Jones, D. D., Col. A. Savage and Bro. A. M. Eley were named as the committee.

The President proceeded to deliver the address to the Convention.

Rev. C. J. Jones, D. D., moved that the parts of the address relating to the different departments of work be referred to the respective committees, and that a copy be furnished for publication in the city papers. Carried.

The Executive Committee submitted its report which was adopted:

We your Committee would report that nothing officially has claimed our attention, except (1) that we appointed Norfolk as the place for the holding of the regular session of the General Convention of the Christian Church, (2) That we extended an invitation to the Executive Board of the American Christian Convention to meet with us at Norfolk, Va., May 4th, 1894.

W. W. STALEY,
P. J. KERNODLE,
E. E. HOLLAND.

On motion, adjourned for dinner till 2:30 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention reassembled with the President in the chair.

The report of the Treasurer was read, and, on motion, referred to the following Committee on Finance: Col. A. Savage, J. A. Mills, and Rev. W. W. Hayworth. On motion Rev. J. W. Rawls and Rev. M. W. Butler were invited to seats as deliberative members. Rev. W. S.

Long, D. D., submitted the report of the Committee on Schools and Colleges which was read:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES.

The world grows wiser as the years go by. Knowledge is advancing along all lines of activity. Science is pushing forward its investigations with zeal never before witnessed. The church should be awake to the responsibilities and demands of the hour. It is her mission to establish everywhere in the world an empire of moral ideas, and this can be accomplished only through men and women whose consciences have been enlightened and which respond to all the influences of a divine Creator. Educational institutions should provide for the development of scientific thought by a leadership that shall conduct science to the altars of Christianity to be baptized with the spirit of authority and power from on high. The church must have ministers of the broadest culture and the deepest piety combined. Men like Paul possessed of the most liberal culture and filled with the Holy Ghost The church has been in all ages the conservator of learning: and Christian nations have been the projectors and promotors of all great movements in behalf of human rights, liberties, and improvements, and they must be true to the responsibilities of the present and the demands of the future.

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" Va.	76.
" S. C.	1.
Graduates	14.

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" June '92—June '93,		6721.24
" June '93—Apr. 28, '94,		1574.61
		$30216.84
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Per Accts.	377.54	10993.50
Society Halls, by Students,	1351.00	
Chandelier, " "	100.00	1451.00
Total cost of improvements,		$42661.34

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Per Accts.	377.54	
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RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. We endorse the action of the Board of Trustees in their effort to complete and equip the college, and urge a generous co-operation on the part of our people.

2. We recommend the endowment of Elon College as the great work of our centennial year. This period in our history should be memorable, and in no way, perhaps, can we accomplish this end and render more lasting service to the church than by endowing this institution. We submit this matter to the Board of Trustees of the college and ask them to consider plans and provide for putting them into operation without delay.

3. We again direct the attention of all the conferences to the great importance of raising the standard of education. No one should be allowed to enter the ministry who cannot pass a satisfactory examination on all subjects prescribed by the last session of its body. Those who neglect or refuse to qualify themselves will never succeed as preachers and should not be given credentials.

4. We endorse and recommend the Suffolk Collegiate Institute, Suffolk, Va.; U. C. College, Merom, Ind.; Antioch College, Yellow Springs, O.; Starkey Seminary, Edgetown, N. Y; Stanfordville Biblical School, Stanfordville, N. Y.; Christian Correspondence College, Lewiston, Me.; Franklinton College, (Col.) Franklinton, N. C.

W. S. LONG,
M. L HURLEY.
E. L MOFFITT.

The report was discussed by Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., Rev. C. W. Garoutte, Rev. J. W. Holt, Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Rev. W. G. Clements. Rev. P. T. Klapp, Rev. W. T. Herndon, Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., Rev. J. L. Foster, Hon. E. E. Holland, Rev. J. W. Wellons, Prof. P. J. Kernodle, and on motion adopted.

On motion a committee was appointed to recommend ten names of persons suitable for trustees of Elon College. Committee: Revs. N. G. Newman, W. G. Clements, E. T. Iseley, W. W. Hayworth.

On motion, it was proposed to amend Chap. 3. sec. 3, paragraph 7 of the Government, by changing "Committee on Temperance" to "Committee on Moral Reform," to which it was proposed to add "and other moral reforms."

On motion the matter was referred to a committee on Revision. Committee: Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., E. L. Moffitt, Rev. J. L. Foster.

Rev. P. H. Fleming moved that a committee of five be appointed to consider plans and report to this Convention concerning an Orphanage. Carried. Committee: Revs. P. T. Klapp, P. H. Fleming, J. W. Holt, Bros. J. A. Mills, J. W. Harden.

Adjourned to meet to-morrow at 10 o'clock a. m. Singing and prayer by Rev. James Maple, D. D.

SECOND DAY.

NORFOLK, VA., Saturday May 5, '94.

The Convention met and was opened with religious services. Prayer by Rev. J. T. Kitchen.

The roll was called, and the proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE TRUSTEES

Your committee to nominate men for Trustees of Elon College, submit the following names:

Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D , Rev. M. L. Hurley, Geo. Nurney, Esq , T. A. Jones, Esq., of Eastern Va. Conference. Rev. J. W Wellons, Hon. J. H Fleming, Rev. W. G. Clements, Dr. G. S. Watson, of the N C. & Va. Conference. J. R. Parks, Esq., of Deep River Conference. J. S. Martz, Esq , of the Valley Va. Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

N. G. NEWMAN,
E T. ISELEY,
W. G. CLEMENTS,
W. W. HAYWORTH.

The report on nominations was accepted.

The report of committee on Home Missions was submitted.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

We your committee on Home Missions desire to submit the following report, to wit:

That the subject of Home Missions is receiving more attention, and that more money is being raised for that purpose than at any time in our history We believe that all our conferences are awakening to a sense of this important work. Still much more can and must be done. The field is white; the harvest is ready. God has blessed wherever and whenever we, in his name, have gone forth to labor.

The Deep River Conference reports that the mission spirit is increasing; that the fields are ripe and waiting for the reapers.

The Virginia Valley Conference says in its annual report, that "the fields are white and the harvest is waiting."

The Georgia and Alabama Conference is in need of workers in the field.

The North Carolina and Virginia Conference find more calls for help than they can heed.

The Eastern Va. Conference reports Home Missions prospering.

The colored conferences report the Home Mission interest better than ever before.

The cry in all this beautiful south land of ours, where the Christian

church is known, is the Macedonian call of long ago, "come over and help us."

We are in need of a greater number of consecrated men and women who are ready and willing to give their time and money to the cause of our beloved Zion. We are not able to answer the calls made upon us.

Roanoke, Va., calls for a Christian church, but we have not the funds in hand necessary to undertake it as a mission.

A petition from Wilmington, N. C., was before the East. Va. Conference and also the N. C. & Va. Conference asking that a misssionary be sent to that city. The petition was referred to the Missionary Association of this body, owing to the lack of funds.

In the Valley Conference we call attention to the neighborhood of Lilly and Bruce where our people are favored with open doors. East Durham, N. C., is asking for a Christian church, and other points that your committee would like to mention but time forbids.

The Norfolk Mission is prospering under the blessings of God in a most satisfactory manner. Dr. C. J. Jones has charge of this work. They have completed this house of worship at a cost of about $22540.00.

Bro R. H. Peel is doing missionary work in connection with his labors as pastor of Bethany.

Bro. C. H. Swank, of Linville, Va., is doing mission work near Harrisonburg, Va , with good results.

Burlington, N. C., has completed a beautiful house of worship at a cost of about $4500.00. The church is in a flourishing condition. Bro. C. C. Peel is in charge.

Winston-Salem is asking for a Christian church, with fine opening. Bro. J. W. Holt is looking after this point.

Durham, N. C., under the pastoral care of Rev. J. W. Wellons is doing well.

Raleigh is not yet self-sustaining but there is a healthy and permanent growth. Rev. J. L. Foster has charge of the work.

A second Christian church has been organized in the town of Graham. They hope to build this season a church to cost about $2000.

Asheboro is to have a Christian church. Lumber is being put on the ground. The church is to cost about $1500. Rev. P. T. Klapp is pastor.

We desire to call attention to the "Christian Missionary Association" which was organized in 1892. It now has a membership of ——— with a paid up subscription of $1800 00. Rev. M L. Hurley is the Financial Secretary. The Association deserves the hearty support of the entire Brotherhood. We urge all our churches to endeavor to raise all the Home Mission Fund asked for by their respective conferences.

Last year there was raised by the conferences about $1200 for Home Missions. This amount added to the special efforts of the churches at

Burlington, Suffolk, Norfolk, and other points, swells the total to about $55000. Expended in the Home Mission field since this body met two years ago. God be praised for blessings bestowed

J. W. WELLONS,
P. H FLEMING,
JAS. L. FOSTER.

The report of the Committee was discussed by Revs. P. H. Fleming, J. W. Wellons, W. S. Long, D. D., T. M. McWhinney, D. D., James Maple, D. D., and adopted.

On motion of Rev. M. L. Hurley, the following were invited to seats as deliberative members: Rev. R. S. Baughan, Trinity M. E. church; Rev. J. C. Martin, Queen St. M. E. church; Rev. Dr. Lacy, Second Presbyterian church; Rev. R. A. Compton, of the M. E. church; Rev. J. T. Maston, McKindree M. E. church; Rev. C. L. Jackson, and Rev. Roger Charnock, of the Christian church.

The hour for preaching having arrived the President, after singing, and prayer by Rev. C. W. Garoutte, introduced Rev. J. P. Watson, D. D., who preached an acceptable and most excellent sermon.

The Committee on Religious Exercises made the following announcements for Sunday: The dedication of this church, Memorial Christian Temple, the sermon by Rev. T. M. McWhinney, D. D., at 11 o'clock a. m., at night preaching by Rev. F. S. Child, of the Congregational church; McKindree M. E. church, Rev. Byron Long; Freemason Baptist church, Rev. C. L. Jackson at night; Cumberland Street M. E. church, South, at 11 a. m., Rev. J. F. Burnett, at 8 p. m., Rev. J. J. Summerbell, D. D.; Disciples church, Freemason Street, at 11 a. m. Rev. J. W. Holt, at 8 p. m. Rev. E. T. Iseley; First Presbyterian church, at 8 p. m. Rev. W. S. Long, D. D.; Queen Street M. E. church, Rev. James Maple, D. D.; Berkley Christian church, Dedicatory sermon by Rev. C. L. Jackson at 2:30 p. m., at 8 p. m. Rev. C. C. Peel; Trinity M. E. church, Rev. Roger Charnock; Colley Presbyterian church, Rev. P. T. Klapp; Spur-

geon Memorial Baptist church, Rev. P. H. Fleming; Butte St. A. M. E. church, Rev. H. J. Duckworth.

Convention adjourned for dinner till 2:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention reassembled.

Rev. J. L. Foster, Secretary of the North Carolina and Virginia Christien Conference, read a petition from the North Carolina and Virginia and Deep River conferences on "Union and Division."

PETITION: REPORT ON UNION AND DIVISION.

We your committee on Union and Division appointed to meet and confer with a like committee of the Deep River Christian Conference met the said committee and agreed to recommend the Union of the said conferences, upon the following conditions:

1, That the dividing lines be drawn so as to make three conferences, with the following boundary lines:

2, That the names of said conferences shall be, "The Deep River Christian Conference," "The N C. & Va. Christian Conference," and "The Raleigh Christian Conference."

3, That the dividing line of the Deep River Christian Conference begin at Fayetteville and follow Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad to Sanford, thence with the Seaboard Air Line Railroad to Haw River, thence with said River up to the Granite Cotton Mills, thence with the North Carolina Railroad to Lexington.

4, That the dividing line of Raleigh Christian Conference run with the Deep River Christian Conference line from Fayetteville to the Granite Cotton Mills, thence with the N C. Railroad to Durham, thence North with the Oxford & Clarksville Railroad to Keysville, Va.

5, That the dividing line of the N. C. & Va Christian Conference run parallel with the Railroad from Lexington to Durham, thence with the Railroad to Keysville, Va.

6, That the ministers living within the bounds of said conferences, be members thereof.

7, That your body memoralize the General Convention to confirm and ratify this Union and this Division of said conferences.

P. T. KLAPP.
W. G. CLEMENTS.
R. T. KERNODLE.

We the committee from the Deep River Christian Conference heartily endorse the paper offered by the committee from the N. C. & Va Christian Conference.

W. W. HAYWORTH.
H. A. ALBRIGHT,
J. W. PATTON.

On motion, after being discussed by Revs. J. L. Fos-Foster, P. H. Fleming, W. S. Long, J. W. Holt, J. W. Wellons, J. P. Barrett, W. T. Herndon, W. W. Hayworth, J. A. Mills, Esq , and Prof. E. L. Moffitt, the petition was granted.

On motion, the Conference called "Raleigh Conference" in paragraph 1 was given permission to change or choose its name.

On motion, a committee of three was appointed to submit plans for apportioning the property, funds, etc., of the United Conferences, the North Carolina and Virginia and the Deep River, and to appoint or choose places for the meetings of the respective Conferences, etc. Committee: Revs. J. W. Holt, C. C. Peel, and W. W. Hayworth.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was read, and after a full and free discussion by Revs. C. C. Peel, J. G. Bishop, P. T. Klapp, J. J. Summerbell, D. D., W. W. Staley, D. D., T. M. McWhinney, D. D., Byron Long, it was referred back to the Committee for revision.

On motion the Convention adjourned till Monday 10 o'clock, a. m.

THIRD DAY.

NORFOLK, VA., Mon., May 7, 1894.

The Convention met with the President in the chair. Prayer by Rev. J. L. Foster. Minutes of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Lay-delegate J. H. Fleming from the North Carolina and Virginia Conference handed in his credentials and his name was enrolled.

Rev. C. W. Garoutte stated that Dr. W. S. Long was called home on account of the sickness of his father. The Convention joined in prayer led by Rev. P. T. Klapp.

Rev. J. P. Barrett, on motion, was substituted for Rev. W. S. Long on the Committee of Revision.

The following resolution was read, and on motion was adopted:

Resolved, By the General Convention of the Christian Church South, in session at Norfolk, Va., That we cannot too strongly impress upon the Conferences composing this body, the propriety of urging the local churches, composing respective bodies, the necessity of arranging for Saturday service preceding the Sabbath service to the end that all business matters may be attended to and a higher spiritual life be developed in our church.—S. P. READ.

On motion, Prof. Herbert Scholz, of Suffolk, Va., was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

The committee on Foreign Missions resubmitted its report. Further discussed by Revs. P. T. Klapp, J. G. Bishop, and James Maple, D. D., and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We your Board on Foreign Missions beg leave to report that during the interim since the last session of the General Convention of the Christian Church South held at Elon College, N. C., June, 1892.

We have given what support we could to our missions in Japan with the means we had in hand. December 20, 1892, we forwarded $300, Jan. 20, 1893, $350, total $650, and have in hand for disposition $316.58 During the two years we have had some things that looked discouraging, viz: Rev. D. F. Jones and wife abruptly left our mission in Japan, and the sickness of sister Woodworth, the dear wife of our missionary, A. D. Woodworth, and we do hope and pray that our dear Heavenly Father will restore her to health, and notwithstanding all that looks discouraging, we have much to encourage us, viz: 4 organized churches; 6 principle stations, 21 out stations; total membership (up to September 1893) 199. Sunday schools 6, scholars 200. Theological schools 1, with 8 students. We have 3 missionaries and 13 native preachers and helpers. Our missionaries have succeeded well in the study of the Japanese language. We believe our little band of missionaries to be conscientious and faithful in their field. We now desire to make some observations on Japan and the character of its people for our encouragement.

JAPAN.

There might be mentioned several reasons why Japan of all heathen countries, so called, lays strongest claims to our attention and interest, as a Christianized country. We will here mention only three of these reasons in presenting this claim:

1st. The natural endowment of the Japanese mind and character.

The Japanese mind is alert, vigorous, energetic and comprehensive. Reared to courtesy, trained to obedience, and inclined to filial piety.

2nd. We have no hesitancy in saying that within the present century and more especially within the two decades just closed, has there been among any people of the civilized world such a revolution in thought such a change in customs and such a development in character as amongst the Japanese. So complete has been this revolution, this awakening, this putting on of new life, and so thorough and rapid has been this development that already do

we hear it said that her standard of education makes no mean showing when compared with those of the countries of Western Europe and the United States. Says a recent writer of high authority, the "standard of education of the present generation in Japan is most high."

3rd Would that we could say as much for Japan's religion as we can for her morals, character and education:

But alas! here is the one thing needful and with this sore deficiency Japan must ever present to the world a sad, a dark, a lamentable picture. Yes, and the more gloomy and pitiable the picture because of the high development along other lines.

We come now to consider.

II. Japan's special claims upon the Christian church and that it is peculiarly adapted to its wants and its demands. Nor do we have to go far to find this perfect adaptiveness of our denominational views, to the Japanese mind and character. This has already been intimated in protraying to you the mind and character peculiar to the Japanese. These of all people, love simplicity despise quibbles, admire truth and adore a noble and an unvarnished idea. The Japanese only want to know what will make their homes brighter and happier; what will make them a better, abler, and nobler people; what will make their country, their nation, their people a more contented, a more successful and devout people Our claims as a denomination upon Japan are strong and most hopeful, because our teachings, our principles, fulfil all these conditions as no other denomination does or can. And as our claims are strongest and hopes are brighest, so our duties are correspondingly more binding and our obligations and responsibilities are more tremendous and far-reaching. In our last analysis then the matter reduces itself to this: The great heathen nation of Japan wants and demands the simple Gospel of Christ without dogma and without creed. What is needed and demanded we as a denomination profess to have and defy the world to disprove it, and if this be true, in the name of God let us prove our claim by our works; and if we fail to meet this demand we may expect a woe to come upon us, as a church and as a people. God has not thus blessed us for naught, and Japan's wail of woe and cry for help, if unheeded must swell up against us at the judgment. Ours the responsibility, ours the obligations, ours the opportunity and ours the hope. Souls in Japan are perishing while the denominations with their doctrines and their creeds do but confound and obscure and complicate the truth of the Lord Jesus Christ. We denounce, condemn and deplore such as a shame, a sin and an outrage, and yet such denunciations are but vain, and foolish talk unless we put the stamp and sea of our disapproval upon such by offering, yes by sending something better. The sin of omission is as great as the sin of commission and every opportunity carries with it a corresponding obligation and to every privilege is attached a duty. Surely the harvest is white and shall we not go forth as reapers? Therefore seeing our privilege, our opportunity, our responsibility and our hope.

Resolved, That the Conferences composing the Southern Christian Convention be requested to raise not less than the following amounts:

The Valley Va Conference $45; the Georgia and Alabama, $50; North Carolina and Virginia $450; Eastern Virginia, $400; Deep River, $55.

P. T. KLAPP,
C. C. PEEL,
J. W. HOLT.
Com.

Judge J. F. West, of the Eastern Va. Conference presented certificate of election and was enrolled as a member of the Convention.

The following resolution was offered by Hon. E. E. Holland, which on motion was adopted:

Resolved, That this Convention authorize and empower the Board of Trustees of Elon College to secure such amendments to the charter of said institution as in the judgment of said Board of Trustees, may be deemed expedient or essential.

The committee on Publications presented its report.

On motion, the report was considered by items. Pending the consideration of the report, on motion the Convention adjourned till 2:30 p. m. for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention reassembled, the President in the chair. The question pending was proceeded with. The report was adopted as a whole as follows:

REPORT ON PUBLICATIONS.

Your Committee in charge of the publication interests of this body offer the following as their bi-ennial report:

I. We have been unable to do the work assigned us in the last meeting of his body—the publication of the Declaration of Principles, Form of Government and Directory for the worship of God—and we have not for the following reasons:

1. The body in session gave us no instructions as to the style of publication, or as to numbers of copies desired.

2. We had not sufficient money in the treasury to warrant our undertaking the work.

3. At this time we have a proposition to do this work before us, which, if accepted by this body, may enable the Committee to proceed with the work so soon as the revision shall be fully and finally completed which is from Bros. Clements and Kernodle, and is as follows:

That Rev. W. G. Clements and P. J. Kernodle agree to publish The Declaration of Principles, Form of Government and Directory of Worship on these conditions.

1. That not less than 2500 copies in convenient form be published—same to be electrotyped.

2. That all expenses shall be paid from sales of book after which they agree to turn over plates to the Convention as its property with the books on hand at such price as will meet the expenses, if the Convention shall desire to close the contract sooner.

3. That the Convention shall lend us support to the effort by allowing the same to be sold through its agent.

W. G. CLEMENTS.
P. J. KERNODLE.

That prices at which same are to be sold shall be determined upon and regulated by agreement between the publishers and the Committee on Publications.

II We are pleased to note the decided improvement in our church paper, THE CHRISTIAN SUN, during the last few months. Believing that the editor and publishers are making a determined effort to give us a satisfactory paper, we commend it to the hearty support of our people. All things considered Bro. Clements has done well, remarkably well, especially of late. We are pleased also to note the addition of Prof. Herbert Scholz to the editorial staff. He is a young man of talent and of good education, and withal a good writer. We need as a people to work up to the fact that no man, or

set of men, can make a good and in every sense a successful paper without the sympathy and hearty support of the people for whose moral, intellectual and spiritual advancement it is published To this end we need in our mission as a people an abiding enthusiasm, which must be carefully and faithfully and religiously nurtured by the church paper. Every prominent peculiarity of our people and every enterprise of the the church needs and should have the unflagging championship of the church paper, but to do this the editor must have the hearty support of both writers and subscribers for whom the paper is published.

2. To such of our people as can afford to take two church papers, we commend most heartily the Herald of Gospel Liberty published by the American Christian Convention at Dayton, O., whose editor and publishing agent have been with us in this session of the Convention.

III. 1. We are doing very little in the way of publishing and circulating general literature. Our poverty keeps us down. We have a few good books, but not enough to meet the wants or needs of our people. We are glad to hear that Rev. M. L. Hurley has in preparation a book called "The Christians not Disciples," which will likely be ready by Aug. 1, 1894.

2. The sale of our hymnary is slow but musicians, competent judges, pronounce it a fine book of church music, and we hope it may yet find its way into general use among us.

3. We suggest the wisdom of united effort between this body and the American Christian Convention in their respective publishing departments, looking to the production of a permanent and influential church literature.

IV. We recommend the Sunday school publications of the Christian Publishing Association of Dayton, O., as well adapted to our needs and worthy of our support. We further urge the use of our own literature in our Sunday schools generally, not for sectarian reasons, but for the reason that help withheld from any department of our work weakens our own forces and limits by so much our usefullness.

But we beg leave to suggest an enlargement of the type of the Bible Class Quarterly, and such change in the form of questions as will tend more to draw out the thought of the pupil.

As a matter of fact your Committee has been much hindered in its work by the want of funds. The printing press is the right hand of progress in every forward movement, and we need a combined effort to use it more fully, more wisely and more specifically than we have done. We need to define our purpose clearly for the benefit of the people and we need to execute our plans more faithfully and more zealously for the good of the cause we love and for the glory of the Master we seek to honor.

J. PRESSLEY BARRETT,
M. W. BUTLER,
ALEX. SAVAGE.
Com.

Rev. J. W. Holt offered the following which was accepted at once.

Moved, That we instruct our delegates to the American Christian Convention to request and urge the publication of a word edition of the Christian Hymnary for general use, especially in the South.

Rev. W. T. Herndon, as agent, was granted time to present the claims of Elon College, N. C.

The following committee on Church Centennial was named: Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., Rev. C. J. Jones, D. D., Rev. W. T. Herndon,

Rev. P. T. Klapp, to which resolution offered by Prof. E. L. Moffitt was referred with proposed amendments.

A motion offered by Hon. S. P. Read was referred to the Committee on Revision.

Mrs. J. L. Foster, Children's Missionary Secretary, offered the following which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORT OF CHILDREN'S EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY.

By cash received since last Convention - - - - - - -	$17.11
To " paid A. Moring, Treas. " - - - - - - -	17.11

Respectfully submitted,

May 7, '94. MRS. J. L. FOSTER

Rev. J. W. Wellons offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this body that we, as a church, use only unfermented wine for communion.

Rev. W. G. Clements, publishing agent, made his report, the same was referred to the committee on Finance.

On motion a committee of three was appointed to make nominations for delegates to the American Christian Convention. Committee: Revs. N. G. Newman, J. W. Wellons, Hon. S. P. Read.

Rev. C. L. Jackson was announced to preach at 8 o'clock.

Adjourned to meet tomorrow at 10 a. m.

FOURTH DAY.

NORFOLK, Tuesday, May 8, 1894.

The Convention met and was called to order by the President. Prayer by Rev. J. W. Patton.

Minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

The committee to nominate delegates to represent this Convention in the American Christian Convention:

Your committee to nominate delegates to the A. C. C. submit the following ex-official members:

Rev. W. W. Staley, Pres. Convention; Revs. E. T. Isley, J. D. Elder, J. W. Patton, Hon. S. P. Read, presidents of conferences; Rev. W. S. Long, Pres of Elon College.

N. C. & Va. CONFERENCE.

Revs. W. G. Clements, J. W. Holt, P. T. Klapp, W. C. Wicker, J. O. Atkinson J. Wellons and E. T. Pierce, J. A. Mills, J. W. Harden, J. H. Fleming, T. J. Haskins, Jesse Winborne.

EASTERN VA. CONFERENCE.

Revs. J. P. Barrett, M. L. Hurley, C. J. Jones, N. G. Newman, and E. E. Holland, A. M. Eley, W. J. Lee, J. F. West.

DEEP RIVER CONFERENCE.

Revs. W. W. Hayworth, J. S. Lawrence, and E L. Moffitt.

GA. & ALA. CONFERENCE.

Rev. H. W. Elder and J. W. Manning.

VA. VALLEY CONFERENCE.

G. A. Henton.

Respectfully submitted,

N. G. NEWMAN,
J. W. WELLONS,
S. P. READ.

The report was adopted.

Rev. C. J. Jones, D. D., moved that the delegates from any Conference be empowered to fill vacancies at the A. C. C. Carried.

Burlington, N. C., was chosen as the place of meeting for the next biennial session of the Convention.

The President announced the standing committees as follows.

Education: W. S. Long, M. L. Hurley, W. T. Herndon, E. L. Moffitt, J. H. Fleming.

Publications: J. P. Barrett, M. W. Butler, N. G. Newman, A. Savage, J. F. West.

Home Missions: J. W. Wellons, J. L. Foster, P. H. Fleming, E. T. Isely, J. A. Mills.

Foreign Missions: P. T. Klapp, J. W. Holt, C. C. Peel, J. W. Patton, S. P. Read.

Executive Committee: W. W. Staley, P. J. Kernodle, E. E. Holland.

The committee appointed to perfect plans for the organization of the new Conferences.

We your Committee on Division submit the following report:

1. That the Deep River Christian Conference meet, pursuant to its last adjournment, at Shiloh, Randolph, Co., N. C., and that its officers be the same as elected at its last annual session.

2 That the N. C. & Va. Christian Conference meet at Bethlehem, Alamance Co., N. C., on Tuesday after the 3rd Sunday in Nov. 1894, at 10 a. m., and that the oldest minister present shall preside in the organization, with Rev. W. C. Wicker as recording secretary, and Rev. P. T. Klapp assistant secretary, and Revs. J. W. Wellous, P. T. Klapp and W. T. Herndon Executive Committee until their successors are appointed, with R. T. Kernodle as Treasurer.

3. That the Raleigh Christian Conference shall meet at Christian Chapel, Chatham Co, N. C., on Tuesday after the 4th Sunday in Nov. 1894, at 10 a. m. with Hon. S. P. Read Pres., Rev. J. L. Foster Secretary; Treasurer, J. A. Mills; Ex. Committee, Revs. W G Clements, J. D. Wicker and J. A. Jones, and that these officers shall hold until their successors are appointed, and that the Ex. Committees of said new conferences shall appoint standing committees for their respective conferences by the 1st of July, 1894, and notify such appointees of their appointment, privately or by publication in the CHRISTIAN SUN as soon as practicable.

4. That the respective conferences as herein named are the successors of the conferences heretofore occupying the territory now occupied by them and are the owners and entitled to the possessio i and a conveyance of all property in the new conferences that belonged to the old conferences, and the respective old conferences are authorized to convey said property to the new conferences, and a committee of one from each conference shall be appointed by the Executive Committee herein named to inquire into and have the charter of the N. C. & Va. Christian Conference so amended, if necessary, as to convey the title to said property to the successors as herein,named, and make such other arrangeme ts for a conveyance of said property to the conferences now occupying the territory in which said property is situated as may be necessary.

5. That all appropriations of funds made by the old conferences shall be carried out by ihe officers of said old conferences according to the tenor of such appropriations, and that whatever overplus shall remain in the hands of the former treasurer of the old N. C. & Va. Christian Conference, Rev, J. W. Hatch, after such disbursements shall have been paid shall be turned over in equal proportions to the treasurers of the respective new conferences, herein named, at their first annual meeting.

6. That all assessments made by the old conferences upon the local churches shall be sent up to the conferences in whose respective bounds the churches may be located, and delegates shall be elected and sent up by the various local churches in the same way.

7. That ministerial reports shall be made to the respective new conferences within whose bounds the ministers shall reside.

8. That all funds arising from the sale of property under action of the old conferences shall be paid to the treasurers of the new conferences in whose bounds such property may be located.

J. W. HOLT,
C. C. PEEL,
W. W. HAYWORTH,
com.

The report was considered by items and adopted as a whole.

On motion, Rev. B. Young of the N. C. Colored Christian Conference was granted a request to appear in the interest of his brethren.

The Committee on Finance submitted its report which was adopted.

We your Committee on finance report, that we have examined report of

Treasurer of Convention and find short one voucher for $300.00 paid Rev. J. G. Bishop Dec. 1892, and also voucher for $5.25 paid Rev. J. L. Foster Oct. 1892 but find orders on Treasurer for same—we also find no note taken as ordered for $43.60 loaned to W. D. Harward but a receipt for same instead; we also note a discrepancy of $5.91 between children's Education Sec. and Treasurer, by failure of Treasurer to give credit for whole amount stated in Sec. report—other balances bought down correctly: Publishing Agent's report figures to tally with Treasurers report, but have no vouchers.

A. SAVAGE,
J. A. MILLS,
W. W. HAYWORTH.

Resolved, That the Deep River Christian Conference be granted the privilege of changing the name to the Western N. C. Conference, or any other name if so desired.

J. W. PATTON.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion the Convention appointed a committee on preamble and resolutions respecting treasurer A. Moring, Esq., who has for so many years faithfully served the Convention but is now by reason of advanced age unable to attend the regular sessions of the Convention. Committee: Revs. J. W. Holt, and C. J. Jones, D. D.

The comittee on Centennial made their report.

NORFOLK, VA., May 7, 1894.

At a meeting of the Centennial committee Rev. J. P. Barrett was requested to act as Secretary, Dr. Staley being in the chair.

It was on motion decided to inaugurate a Centennial Anniversary for the purpose of commemorating the first hundred years of the history and work of the Christian church.

We recommend that services be held in each church on the day of the regular Sabbath service nearest the 4th day of August, 1894, and that on such days a collection shall be taken for the purpose of placing a memorial tablet in the chapel of Elon College in honor of the life and labors of Rev. James O'Kelley, as the leader in the organization of the Christian church and also the founding of a James O'Kelley Memorial Theological Library for the use of Elon College in the training of ministerial students.

On motion it was decided that the character of the work undertaken and outlined herein is too extensive for final action during this meeting and therefore we ask for time to make and execute the plans necessary to accomplish the purpose contemplated. Rev. W. T. Herndon was chosen Treasurer of the Centennial Fund.

1794. 1894.

CENTENNIAL MEMORIAL

TO

REV. JAMES O'KELLEY.

The disciples were called CHRISTIANS first in Antioch.—Acts 11:26.

W. W. STALEY,
C. J. JONES,
P. T. KLAPP,
W. T. HERNDON,
J. P. BARRETT.

The report was discussed by Revs. J. P. Barrett, D. D., W. G. Clements, C. J. Jones, D. D., Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Rev. W. T. Herndon, and adopted,

The committee on Revision submitted its report, which, on motion was made a special order at 1:30 o'clock p. m.

On motion, adjourned for dinner till 1:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention met, president in the chair.

The report of the committee on Revision of which was made a special order for the hour, was re-read, and on motion, adopted.

Your committee on revision have agreed on a number of changes and additions which while they do not change principle or materially effect the polity of our church organization, we think they add real improvement to the work as a whole.

We ask to submit the same for approval or rejection by this body and to this end we suggest that the changes and additions be read and passed upon in open session item by item and then as a whole.

Respectfully submitted,

J. PRESSLEY BARRETT.
JAS. L. FOSTER.
E. L. MOFFITT.

The matter of revision was proceeded with. The Principles were read. Moved and carried that "Holy Ghost" be made "Holy Spirit" throughout the Principles of the church.

On motion, the changes as recommended by the committee in the Government and Discipline of the church were adopted.

To the Directory for worship, added "ministerial directory and official ceremonies," by motion.

On motion, the Principles, Government, etc., was adopted as a whole.

RESOLVED, That, we the members of this Convention tender our thanks to the members, congregation, and friends of the Christian church in Norfolk for the royal reception and princely manner in which we have been entertianed by them during the session of this body, and we will ever pray that the blessings of the trium God may richly rest upon them.

J. L. FOSTER,

RESOLVED, That the thanks of this body are due and are hereby tendered to the various railroads and transportation lines for reduced rates granted the members and friends of this Convention. And to the city press for their full and impartial reports of the proceeding of this body.

C. C. PEEL.

Both resolutions were adopted including a vote of thanks to Rev. Dr. C. J. Jones.

The following Preamble and Resolution was adopted:

Whereas, The cause of Temperance and Prohibition, is one which vitally concerns the welfare of our country and Christianity, and whereas, as a church we desire to occupy no uncertain position on this great issue. Therefore be it.

Resolved, That as a church of Christ we are in hearty sympathy and in full accord with all wise and legitimate effort looking to the utter overthrow of the Rum Traffic in this and other lands.

P. T. KLAPP.

The Committee on Preamble and Resolutions respecting Treasurer reported as follows:

Whereas, The present incumbent as treasurer of this body, Brother Alfred Moring, served the General Convention for many years with satisfaction to the cause and honor to himself, and whereas by the increasing burden and infirmity of years our dear brother cannot be expected to challenge the exposure and danger of travel; or carry longer the responsibility of office as treasurer.

Therefore be it resolved by this General Convention that in recognizing the office of treasurer of this Convention as vacant and in the election of a successor we wish to record our high appreciation of the valuable services of our dear Brother Moring, through the many years of his usefulness, and pray the Divine blessing upon him in every respect and trust that when we all rest from present labors we may all spend a blessed eternity in the Father's house where the many mansions are.

J. W. HOLT.
C. J. JONES.
Com.

The report was adopted.

Bro. J. A Mills was elected Treasurer.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Report of A. Moring Treasurer of the General Christian Convention to meet in Norfolk, Va. May 4, 1893.

Due Convention fund on last report		$129.08
May 1894 Received		100 00
July '94 Received of W. G. Clements		103.34
		$332.42
July '94 paid W. G. Clements,	$103.34	
Oct. '92 paid J. L. Foster	15.25	
May '94 paid Clements & Mood	33 00	
Commissions on $203.34	4.00	

		$155.59
Balance due		$176.83
One note on Dr. Long and Dr Barrett		$100.00

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Balance due on last report		$ 84.98
Nov. '92 received of J. w. Hatch		320.00
Dec. '93 received of w. H. Jones E. Va. C.		200.00
Dec. '60 received of J. w. Hatch		328.00
		$932.98
Dec. '92 paid J. G. Rishop	$300.00	
Dec. '93 " "	300 00	
Commission on $840.00	16.80	
		616.80
Balance		$ 316.18

EDUCATION.

Balance due on last report		37.60
Nov. '92 received of J. L. Foster		5.85
April '94 Mrs. J. L. Foster		5 35
		$ 48.80
Dec. '93 paid w. D. Harward		43.45
Balance due		$ 5.35

Respectfully submitted.

A. MORING, Treas.

REPORT OF PUBLISHING AGENT.

W. G. Clements, Publishing Agent, in account with G. C. C., from May 18, 1892 to May 2, 1894.

	Dr.	Cr.
By Cash, A. Moring Treas.		$203.34
" Cash for Hymnaries		103.34
" Freight, Insurance and Postage		8.50
" Ten per cent commission on $591.50		59.15
Balance		171.05
To balance	192.32	
" Sale of Hymnaries	249.72	
"C'h f'm A. Moring Treas.	103.34	
Total	$545.38	$345.38

The above commission is on the sale of Hymnaries from Dec. 15, 1891 to May 1894, no commission having been taken out in the previous report.

W. G. CLEMENTS.

Rev. N. G. Newman read memorials of the conferences in regard to Form of Certificate for Ministers and Licentiates. On motion the same were referred to the Committee on Publications.

On motion, the form of church letter was referred to

the secretary to revise and submit to the Executive Committee.

On motion, the Secretary was ordered to furnish minutes in brief to be published in the "SUN" and the full minutes be published in the Annual under the direction of the Publication Committee.

On motion of Rev. C. J. Jones, D. D., the thanks of the Convention were extended to Prof P. J. Kernodle and the Committee on Revision for their work on revision of the Principles, Form of Government and Directory of the church.

Recess for supper till 6 o'clock p. m.

On motion, Chapter III, Paragraph 1, of the Government of the church was amended by strinking out "and licensed."

Adjourned, with prayer, to meet at Burlington, N. C., 1894, the month and day to be fixed by the Executive Committee.

W. W. STALEY, Pres.
E. E. HOLLAND, Vice-Pres.
P. J. KERNODLE, Sec.
E. L. MOFFITT, Asst. Sec.

Proceedings

OF THE

VA. VALLEY CONFERENCE.

Held at Concord Church, Va.

CONCORD CHURCH, Rockingham, Co., Va.
August 30, 1894.

The Va. Valley Christian Conference convened to-day at the above named place in its twenty-fifth annual session.

The president of last session being absent on account of affliction. the body was called to order by the secretary.

The roll of churches was called and the following delegates enrolled:

ANTIOCH—T. H. Showalter and C. H. Swank.

BETHLEHEM—J. J. Lincoln and D. C. Strickler.

CONCORD—J. M. Huffman and J. S. Martz.

LINVILLE—E. Sipe and B. F. Black.

Rev. P. H. Fleming conducted religious exercises.

Prof. J. J. Lincoln was elected president and J. S. Martz chosen assistant secretary.

Revs. P. H. Fleming of the N. C. & Va. Conference and M. L. Hurley of the E. Va. Conference were invited to seats as deliberative members. Both brethren responded with appropriate remarks.

Conference took a recess for the delivery of the annual address by Rev. P. H. Fleming.

After an able address conference resumed business.

On motion of C. H. Swank, the following committee

was appointed to arrange a schedule for meeting and adjournment: J. M. Huffman, J. S. Martz, C. H. Swank.

Conference adjourned until 2 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by the chairman.

The president called Rev. M. L. Hurley to the chair.

The delegates of Concord were constituted a committee on Religious Exercises and Entertainment.

The following Fraternal Messengers were elected: To East Va. Conference—J. S. Martz and C. H. Swank. To N. C. and Va. Conference—B. F. Black and D. J. Sipe. To Eastern Carolina and Deep River Conference—B. F. Black.

On motion of C. H. Swank it was decided to hold the next annual meeting of this body at Antioch.

On motion, Rev. M. L. Hurley was asked to deliver the next annual address before this body, with Bro. B. F. Black as alternate.

The following schedule of meeting and adjournment was adopted: Meet at 9:30 a. m. and adjourn at 12 a. m.; meet at 2 p. m. and adjourn at will.

On motion of Prof. J. J. Lincoln, it was agreed to leave the matter of securing a pastor for the churches of this Conference in the hands of the Executive Committee.

The Committee on Education offered its report which was adopted as follows after being discussed by J. J. Lincoln, P. H. Fleming and M. L. Hurley:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Many of our institutions of learning give intellectual training, while the religious training is wofully neglected. It is true that our denominational colleges have done much toward breaking down the evil done by schools that fail to recognize the one all important thing, the salvation of men—but our patronage is too limited toward schools of higher learning under Christian influence. There are quite a number of Colleges and Academies directly or indirectly, under the control of the General Convention of our church. Any of these may merit our favor and support.

1 We recommend to the public and to all our people Elon College. It is our own school and under the management of its new president—Rev. Dr. Staley, with his earnest and able faculty—the reputation it has attained will not only be fully sustained, but greater heights will yet be scaled.

2 We recommend the establishment of an academy within the bounds of our Conference. Looking to this end we recommend the appointment of a special committee for this work. Such academy could be a feeder to the college, and at the same time contribute greatly to the education of the people.

3 Bro. C. H. Swank having been licensed to preach we recommend that he place himself, as soon as possible, in a condition to give himself wholly to the work of the ministry and be ready to fill the calls of the church—or that he be instructed as to the studies, books, etc., that are necessary to be pursued—and continue the work of preparation until he completes the course of study prescribed by the convention.

4 Bro. B. F. Black who is now in Elon College, N. C., we are glad to say, is progressing well and purposes completing his course in said school.

We recommend that the pastor take at least two special collections at each church within the bounds of the conferences during the year for education.

Bro. J. S. Kagey did not come before the committee.

J. J. LINCOLN,
J. S. MARTZ.

Conference adjourned to meet at 9:30 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SECOND DAY, AUG. 31.

Conference called to order by the President.

Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. M. L. Hurley.

The roll was called and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings read and adopted.

Church letters being called for, the letter from Linville church was read.

Ministerial reports being called for.

Rev. C. H. Swank offered the following report.

MINISTERIAL REPORT OF C. H. SWANK.

I have had in charge one mission point. No. sermons, 10; converts 3; organization effected in part.

C. H. SWANK.

Rev. D. T. Deans having failed to report to conference, the secretary was requested to correspond with said Bro. in regard to his connection with this conference.

The following resolution was offered by Col. E. Sipe, and adopted by conference:

RESOLVED—That this body deems it advisable to have the Va. Valley Christian Confererence legally incorporated To such an end it hereby constitutes Wm. H. Sipe of Linville church, C. A. Henton of Antioch church, J. J. Lincoln of Bethlehem church, and John S. Martz of Concord church and Albert H. Liskey and their successors forever a committee to secure such action by the court, and that said committee be made the board of trustees of the Va. Valley Christian Conference.

On motion, Bro. J. M. Bradford of the Episcopal Church was invited to a seat as deliberative member in this body.

On motion the following preambles and resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, The Va. Valley Christian Conference is remote from any other Christian Conference, and being small in numbers and churches and often interrupted in our ministerial ranks, and having no ordained ministers located in our midst, and thereby the progress of the conference is often retarded:

Therefore be it Resolved.

That this conference make an effort to be connected in some beneficial way with the Eastern Va. Christian Conference, by a suitable committee appointed by this conference to confer with a like committee from the E. Va. Conference upon the following conditions:

1 That the individuality of this conference in every sense be maintained.

2 That the name and work of this conference remain undisturbed, holding its annual meetings as heretofore.

On motion, the Fraternal Messengers already elected to the E. Va. Conference were empowered to act as said committee.

Conference adjourned until 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The report of the Committee on Home Missions offered their report which, after being discussed by Revs. C. H. Swank and M. L. Hurley, was adopted.

HOME MISSION REPORT.

Your committee on Home Missions submit the following: Collections for the past year are as follows: Linville, $9.03; Bethlehem, $7 75; Antioch, $22.80; Concord, $3 97; Total, $43 55.

We are glad to report that the Home Mission spirit in our churches is gradually increasing Mission societies have been organized to procure the necessary means so much needed to establish our principles and faith in new and inviting fields of labor.

The prospects for organizing and building a church in the vicinity of Cedar Grove are very encouraging.

The neighborhoods of Bruce and Lilly are also regarded as special points of interest demanding our attention. As a church we are not doing as much as we ought to do to establish ourselves in all communi-

ties; especially where we have some converts, and friends in sympathy with our principles and faith. If we would merit God's approval and his blessings, we must be whole-hearted, prayerful workers, constrained by the love of Christ in our hearts to contribute more liberally of our means and influence for the saving of perishing souls at home. We recommend that the respective churches continue their efforts through the means of their organized Mission Societies, to increase the Home Mission fund each year according to their ability.

Respectfully and prayerfully submitted,

D. P. ROSENBERGER,
W. H. SIPE,
THOS. H. SHOWALTER.

The Treasurer's Report was read and adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

HOME MISSIONS.

Amount on hand from last year, $84 87.
Collected at Conference:
Antioch, $22 80; Linville, $9 03; Bethlehem, $7 75; Concord, $3 [illegible]. Total, $43.55.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Antioch, $22.52; Linville, $4 85; Bethlehem, $3 57; Concord, $1.70; Total, $32.64.

CONTINGENT FUND.

Antioch, $2.32; Linville, —; Bethlehem, $1.40; Concord, —; Total $3.72.

C. D. MAPHIS, Treas.

The Chair appointed the following Standing Committees.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Ex. Com.—E. Sipe, C. H. Swank, J. S. Martz, Madison Thomas, S. Schools.—J. S Martz, Levi Rhodes, J. S. Kagey.
Home Missions.—Miss Hannah Martz, W. H. Sipe, T. H. Showalter.
Foreign Missions.—Misses Ada A. Swank, Fannie Simmers, Bertie Huffman, Mrs. Lucy K. Bradford.
Temperance.—C. H. Swank, E. Sipe, J. M. Huffman.
Religious Literature.—B. F. Black, J. S. Kagey, J. D. Hillyard.
Education.—J. J. Lincoln, J. S. Martz, C. A. Henton.
Committee for the establishment of an academy within the bounds of the conference.—E Sipe, C. H. Swank, D. P. Rosenberger, J. J. Lincoln, J. S. Martz, J. D. Hillyard.

The Executive Committee offered their report which was adopted.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

Your committee for the year 1893-4 had a meeting at Linville church Dec. 1893, at which E. T. Iseley, E. Sipe, J. D. Hillyard, and J. S. Martz, were present. The committee took under consideration the fixing of the per cent on the reported legal taxable wealth in the conference, and fixed the amount at 26 per cent on each tax paying member's amount of tax paid to state and county.

Your committee also instructed the conference treasurer to collect all notes in his hands, and other funds belonging to the conference, and hold the same subject to the order of the body.

E. SIPE,
J. D. HILLYARD.
J. S. MARTZ.

Church letters being called for, letters from Concord Linville and Bethlehem churches were read.

On motion, it was agreed to go into an investigation of the Bethlehem letter.

The letter was corrected and adopted.

Conference adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

THIRD DAY, SEPT. 1.

Conference called to order by the chairman.

Devotional exercises conducted by Bro. B. F. Black.

After the calling of the roll, the minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

On motion of Bro. J. S. Martz, it was agreed to have the minutes of this meeting published in the Christian Annual, the cost not exceeding $15.00, and that the churches be assessed in proportion to membership to raise said amount.

On motion the chair was requested to appoint a collector in each church to raise contingent fund, and that contingent fund be increased to 15 cts. per member.

The following were appointed: Antioch, Miss Sophia Byrd; Bethlehem, Miss Lydia Pickering; Concord, Miss Bertie Huffman; Linville, Miss Eva Scott.

On motion, the Treasurer of Conference was ordered to deposit all moneys in his hands in the First National Bank of Harrisonburg or loan to private parties who are

known to be reliable, subject to order of the Executive Committee of this Conference.

The Committee on Foreign Missions offered a lengthy report which was referred to the Committee to be abridged.

The following report on Sunday Schools was adopted after being ably discussed by Bros. J. M. Bradford, J. S. Martz and J. J. Lincoln.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

Your committee on Sunday schools offer the following limited report:

We are glad to report that the Sunday schools in the bounds of our conference are being awakened to a greater interest each year, and that some of our schools are rapidly increasing.

Knowing the Sunday school to be the nursery of the church, we feel sure that there is no place better suited to develop the minds of the young, as well as the old, in holiness and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour, that will make them wise unto salvation, than is the Sunday school. Therefore, we urge a more earnest effort on the part of parents in behalf of getting their children into the Sunday school, and in coming themselves, and in giving of their time, talent, and means to this glorious institution of the Master. God demands it of us, and we believe will hold us accountable.

Further, we are happy to report all our schools, we believe, have permanently established the use of the Christian literature. We believe there is none better suited for the upbuilding and growth of the Christian church.

We further recommend the Sunday School Convention within the bounds of this conference as worthy of our time and attention at its meetings.

We also urge the brethren near Cedar Grove as soon as an organization is permanently effected, to organize a Sunday school at the earliest convenience.

J. S. MARTZ,
J. S KAGEY,
C. H. SWANK.

On motion of Bro. B. F. Black, Conference approved the course of studies recommended, by the General Convention, for ministerial students.

Conference adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference resumed business with the president in the chair.

After being discussed by Rev. M. L. Hurley and Bro. J. J. Lincoln the following report on Religious Literature was adopted.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We, your committee on Religions Literature respectfully submit the following report:

It is with regret that we report the deficiency of Religious Literature among our people as a denomination. If we would prosper as a church we must use the printing press in presenting our principles to the minds of the people.

Knowing as we do the influence of literature upon the human mind—especially of the young, we would urge that the heads of families keep in their homes abundance of pure and elevating literature and exclude all that is low and pernicious.

We would recommend

1, The Holy Bible as our guide through life.

2, That each family represented in the churches of this conference have in their homes the CHRISTIAN SUN, and as far as possible the Herald of Gospel Liberty and such other literature as lies within their means.

3, That our Sunday Schools use the literature published by the Christian Publishing Association of Dayton, Ohio.

J. S. KAGEY.
B. F BLACK,
J. D. HILLYARD.

On motion, it was agreed to limit all talks to ten minutes.

The report of the Committee on Temperance was read, discussed and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

We a Christian organization accepting the name Christian as our only name to be known by and the Bible as our only rule of faith and practice, should and must step to the front if we would do our duty on this vast and important question, namely temperance.

1 RESOLVED, That it is wrong to build churches to teach men the way of life and at the same time license shops to draw them into the way of sin and misery and eventually ending in death.

2 That it is wrong to license a man to sell that which makes men drink and then punish the man for being drunk.

3 That it is wrong to license shops to make paupers and then tax sober men to take care of them.

4 That it is wrong to license a saloon to teach vice and immorality and to tax people for schools to teach virtue and honesty.

5 That it is wrong to derive revenue from a traffic which destroys

happiness making widowed mothers and fatherless children leaving them on the charities of the people.

6 That it is wrong to vote for men who license a place where your boy can have full access to drink and then try to teach them it is wrong to drink.

7 That it is wrong to preach charity, honesty and virtue caring only for your own boys, giving your aid in establishing places to ruin your neighbor's boys, causing their downfall in this world and eternal damnation in the world to come.

8 That we as a part of Christ's church follow the teachings of Christ as laid down in the Holy Book, thereby putting down such wrongs as herein mentioned.

C. H. SWANK.
E. SIPE.
J. M. HUFFMAN.

The report on Foreign Miss'ons was adopted as follows:

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT.

We your Committee on Foreign Missons beg leave to report: We are deeply interested in the Foriegn work and hope that ere long the entire church may also become concerned upon this important subject. We regard it second to no enterprise in our beloved Zion. We are very much gratified at the success already attained and earnestly beseech all our members to join us in this great work of sending the gospel of Christ to the poor benighted heathen.

We report in the following what the home churches composing this conference have been doing during the past year for our mission in Japan. We are much encouraged by the interest manifested on the part of the members of Antioch, and are glad to report to her credit $22 52 more than has any previous year been contributed by the whole conference. Linville reports $4 85, Bethlehem $5.57, Concord $1.70. Total $32 24.

We recommend that this conference require its pastor to make special effort to show each congregation its duty respecting said work.

That the Foreign Mission Committee be composed of one member of each church of the conference and, that each member be furnished with a copy of the roll of his respective church in order that he may solicit as far as possible each individual member of the churches.

That the churches be asked for not less than the following amounts: Bethlehem $12 00, Antioch $12.00, Linville $8 00, Concord $4 00.

ADA A. SWANK.
CARRIE BRADFORD.
BERTIE HUFFMAN.

On motion of Bro. B. F. Black, a resolution of thanks was tendered the members and friends of Concord church for kind and hospitable entertainment shown to

members and visitors during conference.

On motion the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, That this Conference authorize her Executive Committee to employ a minister to serve her churches, as pastor during the coming year, at a salary not to exceed $450,00; the amount agreed upon to be raised as follows: Each church to pay $1.10 per member, and the residue of amount to be made up by assessment in proportion to the amount of taxes paid by the property holding members of each church. Said assessment to be made by the Executive Committee. Each church to raise her part in any way she may deem best.

The minutes of to-day's proceedings were read and approved.

Conference adjourned to meet with the church at Antioch, on Thursday before the first Sunday in September, 1895.

J. J. LINCOLN, Pres.
J. S. KAGEY, Sec.
J. S. MARTZ, Asst. Sec.

RONDA, N. C., Aug. 9, 1894.

To the Valley Va. Conference, Greeting:

DEAR BRETHREN:—It would afford me much pleasure to meet with you once more in council, but circumstances forbid.

My voice is about the same as on last report. Preaching very little, been engaged in Sabbath school work. I sometimes hope to visit the scenes of my former labors in your beautiful Valley and greet my friends of the past. But God only knows whether this desire will ever be realized; however, I am glad to know that you are still strong to uphold the cause we love. And I trust and pray the good Spirit to direct you into all truth. D. T. DEANES.

This report was received by the Secretary after the adjournment of Conference. Secretary.

STATISTICAL TABLE OF THE VALLEY VA. CONFERENCE AUG. 1894.

Churches.	Pastors.	Secretaries and Postoffices.	Reported Last Ses	Received Since	Died.	Withdrawn	Expelled	Presn't M'mb'sh'p	No. in S. School	Amount Paid Pastor	Home Missions	For. Missions	For Other Purposes	Total Amount Paid	Value of Church Property
Antioch.	E. T. Isley.	J. S, Kagey, Mt. Clinton, Va.	89	5	1	1		92	87	$161 69	$22 80	$22 52	$ 29 21	$236 22	$1500
Bethlehem.	E. T. Isley.	J. W. Wampler, Broadway, Va.	99	4	1	6	1	95	88	126 27	7 75	3 57	16 40	152 99	1000
Concord.	E. T. Isley.	J. S. Martz, Tenth Legion, Va.	28	5	2			31	32	28 21	3 79	1 70	3 90	37 78	500
Linville.	E. T. Isley.	D. J. Sipe, Linville, Va.	51	5			4	52	98	62 27	6 03	4 85	63 58	136 73	1000
Total		.....	267	19	4	7	5	270	305	$378 44	$40 55	$32 64	$113 09	$594 72	$4000

Proceedings

OF THE

GA. AND ALA. CONFERENCE.

Held at Red Hill, Ala.

Oct. 18th, 19th, 20th, 1894.

10 a. m. Opened with Reading Scripture lesson and prayer by former President, (after singing a song composed by Bro. J. W. Elder, Sr., for the opening service) The secretary proceeded to call the roll of ministers and churches. Ministers present:

Revs. J. D. Elder, T. H. Elder, J. W. Elder, H. W. Elder, M. F. Lett, C. M. Dollar, C. C. Heard Geo. D. Hunt.

Ministers Absent: Jubilee Smith, W. R. Knight, C. G. Malone, J. H. Hughes, M. D. Chewing, H. W. Abercrombie, D. M. Hurst, J. L. Neese.

Licentiates Present: W. A. Fletcher.

Licentiates absent: W. D. Davis, W. G. Pittman, W. L. Manning, W. G. Hurst, C. W. Swan.

CHURCHES AND DELEGATES:

New Hope: C. H. Stephenson.

Beulah: E. M. Gay.

Providence Chapel: I. S. Webb, E. A. Abell, R. G. Gillam.

Beulah (Phoenix city): J. F. Hill, Jr., G. L. Newsom, N. A. O'Harra.

Mt. Zion: S. N. Sledge.

Antioch: W. J. Payne.

Christiana: J. W. Vines.

The following churches represented by letter: Union Chapel, Union Grove, McGuires Chapel, Forest Home, Corinth, New Harmony, Rock Springs, Liberty, Orr's Chapel, Macedonia, Jackson Spring, Pleasant Grove.

A quorum being present Conference proceeded to the election of officers as follows: Pres., Rev. C. M. Dollar; Vice, Rev. J. W. Elder; Secty., G. D. Hunt; Asst., C. C. Heard; Treasurer, E. M. Gay.

Rev. M. L. Hurley of the Eastern Va. Conference was invited to a seat as a deliberative member, who responded with appropriate remarks.

On motion the order of business of last year was adopted for this session.

New Home and Union Hill churches were received into conference represented by letter. Conference adjourned to hear the introductory sermon by Rev. H. W. Elder.

AFTEROON SESSION.

President in the chair. Conference opened with singing.

1st. Filling vacancies on committees: Temperance, J. W. Elder and S. N. Sledge; Standing of Ministry, C. C. Heard; Home Mission, E. M. Gay and H. W. Elder; Religious Literature, J. D. Elder and C. C. Heard: Education, H. W. Elder, E. M. Gay and J. F. Hill, Jr.

2nd. On motion Rev. H. W. Elder and the deacons of this church constitute the committee on religious service.

3rd. On motion it was decided to discuss the report on Home Missions Friday at 10:30 a. m. and the report on Religious Literature Saturday 10:30 a. m.

4th. Report of special committee read and adopted.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

We your committee to whom was referred the cases of Bros. Lett and Chewing for investigation submit our report.

We find no evidence against either of these brethren. Therefore we recommend them to the confidence of all people as worthy ministers.

REV. GEO. D. HUNT, Ch'm.

5. Church letters and Ministerial reports read, Miscellaneous business called for. On motion Mt. Zion church was chosen as the place for holding the next Annual Session to convene at 10 a. m. Thursday before the First Sunday in October.

Rev. C. C. Heard was appointed to preach the Introductory sermon. J. W. Elder Alternate.

Rev. M. L. Hurley was invited to deliver the Annual Sermon before this body Saturday at 11:30 a. m. Adjourned.

Preaching at night by Rev. G. D. Hunt.

9. A. M. SECOND DAY.

President in the chair, Conference opened with singing and prayer by the President.

1st. Minutes of preceding day read and adopted.

2nd. Petition from Liberty church asking for the ordination of Bro. W. A. Fletcher which was referred to the committee on examination.

3rd. Report of the Executive Committee read adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

In March last we were called together to consider the propriety of Bro. C. G. Malone, he having received a call to serve Corinth church. Also Bro. J. H. Hughes he having been chosen to serve Union Grove church. They both having undergone a satisfactory examination, they were set a part by the imposition of hands to the office of Elders in the church.

No other business has claimed our attention.

REV. C. M. DOLLAR, Ch'm.

4th. Report on Standing of ministry read and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STANDING OF MINISTRY.

We find the ministers all in good standing with the exception of Bro. M. D. Chewing, we have not heard from him as a minister since last conference. Also those Brethren of North Ala. have not been heard from in several years. With these exceptions we find all our ministers are walking orderly and laboring hard.

T. H. ELDER, Ch'm.

5th. Report on Sunday schools read and discussed by Bros. S. N. Sledge, W. A. Fletcher, and adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We your committee on Sunday Schools submit our report. We find that the Sunday Schools in our Conference are in better condition than ever before, yet there is room for improvement. We earnestly hope that every pastor will use his influence for the good of Sunday School work let all the churches report a flourishing Sunday school next Conference. Further we request our churches to use our own Literature as far as practical.

C. H. STEPHENSON, Ch'm.

6th. Report on Home Missions read, discussed by Revs. G. D. Hunt, C. C. Heard, H. W. Elder, J. W. Elder, T. H. Elder, J. D. Elder, Bro. E. M. Gay pending the discussion conference adjourned for preaching by Rev. C. M. Dollar.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President in the chair.

Home Mission discussion resumed by the following brethren: S. N. Sledge, W. J. Payne, Rev. M. L. Hurley. Report referred back to the committee with the names of Revs. J. D. Elder and G. D. Hunt added to the committee.

7. On motion Conference decided to have minutes printed in annual.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STANDING OF CHURCHES.

We find all the churches with the exception of those in North Ala. in good spiritual standing Yet many have fallen behind with their finance. We commend the few churches that has faithfully complied with the demands of conference.

We recommend that this body appoint a committee to correspond with our ministers of North Ala. and asek them to report at our next conference without fail.

E. M. GAY, Ch'm.

8th. Report on standing of churches read and adopted with request that the sec'ty write the brethren of North Ala. in regard to their work. Conference adjourned.

Preaching at night by Rev. J. W. Elder.

9. A. M. THIRD DAY.

President in the chair.

Conference opened with singing and prayer by Rev. J. D. Elder. Minutes of preceding day read and adopted.

Home mission report reread and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Realizing the great good that has been accomplished through our Home Mission work, we as a denomination should rally to its support notwithstanding the hard times let us give as God has prospered us.

We your committee recommend that Revs. H. W. Elder and Geo. D. Hunt be placed in the field as Home Mission workers for another year, each one to give one fourth of his time to the Mission work.

We further recommend that this Convention raise $175.00 Home Mission fund next year. E. M. GAY, Ch'm.

On motion the Treasurer was instructed to pay the Home Mission Fund to Revs. H. W. Elder and G. D. Hunt.

Report of committee on Examination read and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EXAMINATION.

We have examined Bro. W. A. Fletcher and find him worthy of ordination. We therefore request this body to appoint a Presbytery for the purpose of ordaining him sometime in the future in Pheonix City, Ala. REV. J. D. ELDER, Ch'm.

Rev. J. D. Elder, H. W. Elder and G. D. Hunt were appointed as Presbytery to ordain Bros. W. A. Fletcher and D. G. Horn at some future time.

On motion Bro. W. J. W. Daniel was given license to preach.

Report on Temperance read, discussed by Revs. J. D. and H. W. Elder, Bro. W. J. Payne. and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

We believe as a rule that intemperance is giving way in our church. If there is one of our ministers that indulges in dram drinking as a beverage we do not know it. We also believe the laity are leaving the evils connected with social drinking. We recommend that the horrors of intemperance be more fully set forth by our ministers.

REV. J. W. ELDER, Ch'm.

Report on Religious Literature read, and discussed by Rev. T. H. and H. W. Elder, G. D. Hunt, M. L. Hurley, Bro. S. N. Sledge. Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Brethren, we live in the latter part of the 19th century in which the great centers and rural districts are being flooded with literature either pure or vile, and we are not insensible of the fact that we are not keeping pace with the progress of the age in which we live. Our Publishing Houses are suffering for the lack of support. Therefore, resolved that we bestir ourselves on this important subject. We recommend the CHRISTIAN SUN, now published by Bros. Hurley and Moffitt, Raleigh, N. C., the organ of the Southern Convention and in every way worthy of our support. Also the Herald of Gospel Liberty and the Books that are being published by the Edttors of the SUN.

Brethren, the way to keep corrupt literature out of the mind is to keep the mind filled with something good.

REV. J. D. ELDER, Ch'm.

Adjourned to hear the Annual Sermon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President in the chair. Convention opened with singing.

Report on Foreign Missions read and discussed by Bro. .E. M. Gay, W. J. Payne, C. H. Stephenson, Revs. J. D.Elder and M. L. Hurley, and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We find that our Foreign Mission work is in prosperous condition, and we request our people to consider this great question, and to contribute as liberally as possible to its support, during the year that is before us. We are sorry to s y that many of our churches are behind with their assessments for this work. We recommend that this Conference raise $40.00 for Foreign Missions next year.

REV. C. M. DOLLAR, Ch'm.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received from the secretary of the Ga. and Ala. Christian Conference the following amounts:

For Minutes	$18.71	
For Home Missions	90.17	
For Foreign Missions	16.24	
Total	$125.12	
Paid out by order of Conference.		
For Minutes to M. L. Hurley		$18.71
For Home Missions to H. W. Elder		45.08
For Home Missions to G. D. Hunt		45.08
For Foreign Missions to P. T. Klapp		16.24
Total		$125 12

E. M. GAY, Treasurer.

Report on Education read and discussed by Revs. J. W. Elder, M. L. Hurley and Bro. C. H. Stepenson and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Realizing that education is a power in any work especially by the church, and realizing the illiteracy of our ministry and laity, with a few exceptions, would urge upon our people the importance of raising our intellectual standard to a higher degree of power. We would heartily recommend Elon College N. C., as the place to educate your children. Our school at New Hope disbanded the 2nd week in July, and since that time we have had no school. We need school permanently located and some definite steps taken to sustain the same. Our literary schools should be better attended by our children, if we educate our children then it won't be long before our cause will take advanced steps in maintaining schools and colleges.

S. N. SLEDGE, Ch'm.

Resolution of thanks adopted by rising vote.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

Resolved, That this body tender its heartfelt thanks to the members of this church and citizens of this community, for the kind and hospitable manner in which they have received and entertained this conference. Let us pray God's richest blessings upon them.

ASSESSMENTS, FOR HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

	Foreign	Home
Union Hill	$ .68	$2.55
Beulah (Phœnix City)	4.27	16.25
McGuires Chapel	2.84	10.65
Corinth	1.16	4.35
New Harmony	2.40	9.00
Forest Home	2.40	9.00
Rock Springs	2.40	11.55
Beulah	2.60	11.75
Liberty	.67	2.85
Mt. Zion	2.20	8.55
Union Chapel	4.00	15.00
Providence Chapel	2.92	10.95
Christiana	2.12	7.95
Pleasant Grove	3.80	14.25
Union Grove	1.00	3.75
New Home	.80	3.00
Antioch	2.04	11.40
Jackson Springs	.80	3.00
Orr's Chapel	.27	1.05
New Hope	7.64	28.65

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Executive: T. H. Elder, G. D. Hunt, W. R. Knight.
Sunday Schools: D. G. Horn, J. R. Hammond and S. N. Sledge.
Temperance: E. M. Gay, C. H. Stephenson and C. C. Heard.
Standing of Churches: J. W. Elder Sr. E. A. Abell and M. F. Lett.
Standing of Ministry: G. D. Hunt, C. G. Malone, and H. H. Owen.
Home Missions: S. N. Sledge, J, D. Elder, C. M. Dollar.
Foreign Missions: H. W. Elder, J. F. Hill, W. J. Payne
Religious Literature: J. W. Elder Jr. B. F. Young and H. O. Wallace.
Education. G. D. Hunt, C. M. Dollar and H. W. Elder.

Minutes of third day read and adopted. After which Conference adjourned to meet with the church at Mt. Zion on Thursday before the first Sunday in next October.

REV. G. D. HUNT, Sec., REV. C. M. DOLLAR, Pres.

Churches.	Pastors.	No. Last Report.	Received Since.	No. Dismissed.	No. Expelled.	No. Died.	Present Number.	Amount Paid Pastor.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Other Purposes.	No. in S. School.	Value of Church Property.
New Hope.	Geo. D. Hunt.	177	22	4	2	2	191	$25 00	$17 35	$ 5 55	$16 00	50	$1000
Orr's Chapel.	J. B. Orr.	7					7		4 55	45	20		
Jackson Spring.	M. F. Lett.	9	11				20		1 45	35		30	
Antioch.	T. H. Elder.	78	7	7	1	1	76						
New Home.	J. W. Elder.						20						
Mt Zion.	W. R. Knight.	44	7				51		4 00	1 70	5 00		300
Union Grove.	J. H. Hughes.	28		3			25				115 00	25	300
Rock Springs.	C. M. Dollar.	70	12	2	2	1	77	9 51			1 50		400
Pleasant Grove.	Geo. D. Hunt.	83	14		2		95	6 50	10 45		8 00	41	400
Christiana.	H. W. Elder.	34	19				53	25 00	5 21			40	
Providence Chapel.	H. W. Elder.	67	19	1	2		73	130 75	6 05		2 90		
Beulah.	Geo. D. Hunt.	84	7	4	1		85	37 50	5 00	50		45	500
Union Chapel.	J. D. Elder.	88	18	3	2	1	100	73 60	14 08	3 52	30 71	30	
Liberty.	W. A. Fletcher.	11	8				19		2 40	60	41 50	32	
Forest Home.	H. W. Elder.	50	11			1	60				20 00		700
McGuire's Chapel.	H. W. Elder.	82	4	9	5	1	7	40 00	3 75		4 00	35	250
Corinth.	C. G. Malone.	20	14	4	3		29						200
Beulah (Phœnix City)	J. D. Elder.	68	49	4	3	1	109	73 40	10 88	2 72	100 00	61	
Union Hill.	C. C. Heard.		17				17						
New Harmony.	W. Elder.		10		1		60		4 00		1 40		1000

Proceedings

OF THE

EASTERN VA. CONFERENCE

IN ITS

Seventy-Fourth Annual Session.

HOLLAND, VA., Oct. 30, 1894.

The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference convened here to-day with the Christian church in its seventy-fourth annual session. Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., president of last session, called the body to order.

The roll of ministers was called and responded to as follows:

ELDERS: J. P. Barrett, H. H. Butler, M. W. Butler, M. L. Hurley, R. H. Holland, N. G. Newman, W. W. Staley.

LICENTIATES: R. D. H. Demarest, R. H. Peel, J. W. Rawls.

The churches responded through the following delegates:

Berea (Norfolk): F. L. Curling; Berea (Nansemond): James Brinkley, W. J. Lee; Berkley: D. J. Bowden; Bethlehem: J. W. Faulk, M. D. Williams, Capt. J. J. Richards; Holland: Dr. J. G. Holland, W. T. Parker; Holy Neck: W. Q. Peel, Henry A .Rawls; Liberty Spring: William Rawls, J. H. Brinkley, Y. C. Byrd; Mount Carmel: I. W. Duck; Norfolk Mission: R. L. Bunting; Oakland: W. T. Newman; Providence: F. L. Portlock, R. A. Hyslop; Suffolk: E. E. Holland; Union (Surry): P. E. Slade.

After a fervent prayer by Rev. H. H. Butler, conference went into the election of officers for the present session. Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., was elected president, and Rev. N. G. Newman assistant secretary.

On motion the order of business of last session was adopted for the use of the present session.

The time for the annual address having arrived, after singing by the choir, Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., proceeded to deliver same.

Ministerial reports were called for and pending the reading of same, conference adjourned for dinner.

AFTER-NOON SESSION.

The president called the body to order.

The following delegates were enrolled:

Windsor: M. L. Watkins, J. B. Wilson; Union (Southampton): J. H. Gardner, Solomon Bradshaw; Mount Zion: G. W. Post, George L. Coggins; Bethany: J. E. Lawrence; Cypress Chapel: Napoleon Brothers.

Rev. J. D. Hart, of the Baptist church, Dr. W. T. Herndon and Rev. S. B. Klapp of the North Carolina and Va. Conference were invited to seats as deliberative members. Revs. W. T. Herndon and S. B. Klapp bore the fraternal greetings of that conference to this body.

Rev. J. W. Barrett arrived and was enrolled.

The reading of ministerial reports was resumed and completed. Reports were received from the following ministers up to the present time:

Elders: J. P. Barrett, J. W. Barrett, H. H. Butler, M. W. Butler, M. L. Hurley, N. G. Newman, W. W. Staley.

Licentiates: R. D. H. Demarest, R. H. Peel, J. W. Rawls.

Church letters were called for and on motion Rev. R. H. Peel, M. L. Watkins, and F. L. Portlock were constituted a committee to tabulate same.

Reports of fraternal messengers being called for were responded to as follows:

Rev. M. L. Hurley had attended the N. C. & Va. Conference. Rev. H. H. Butler was unable to attend.

None of the messengers appointed had attended the Virginia Valley Conference. Rev. M. L. Hurley, as fraternal messenger, attended the Georgia & Alabama Conference and brought the kindest greetings from that body. He stated that there was a wonderful opening in the bounds of that conference for mission work by our church, and that the time was ripe for aggressive work. At the close of his message feeling prayers were offered by Drs. Barrett and Staley, praying that God's richest blessings might rest upon him who, as it were, had been snatched from the jaws of death, and that many years might be in store for him to labor for the cause of our beloved Zion. "Praise God from whom all blessings flow" was sung, after which a letter from Rev. J. W. Wellons, of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference was read, bearing Christian greetings to this body and expressing sorrow at his inability to be with us. On motion the secretary was instructed to send greetings expressive of this body to him.

Fraternal messengers were elected as follows:

To the North Carolina and Virginia Conference: Revs. M. L. Hurley, H. H. Butler, M. W. Butler, J. P. Barrett, D. D.

To the Eastern North Carolina Conference: Revs. M. L. Hurley, J. P. Barrett, D. D.

To the Deep River Conference: Revs. J. P. Barrett, D. D., M. L. Hurley.

To the Virginia Valley Conference: Revs. J. P. Barrett, D. D., M. L. Hurley, H. H. Butler, M. W. Butler.

To the Georgia and Alabama Conference: Revs. J. P. Barrett, D. D., M. L. Hurley.

Dr. J. P. Barrett was elected to deliver the annual address the next session and Rev. N. G. Newman was chosen as alternate.

Conference decided to hold its next session with the Main Street Christian church of Berkley, Va.

The following were constituted a committee on finance: E. E. Holland, W. J. Lee, R. A. Hyslop.

The report of treasurer was handed in, and on motion referred to the committee on finance.

F. L. Portlock was elected collector to receive the various funds sent to conference by the churches.

On motion the pastor and delegates of this church were constituted a committee on religious services.

The following schedule was adopted: Meet at 10 a. m., adjourn at 12 m. for religious services. Meet at 2 p. m. and adjourn at will.

The Executive committee stated through its chairman that nothing had occurred to require their services and consequently they had no report to make.

Rev. M. L. Hurley was given time at this point to make an announcement relative to the "Christian Sun," and, also, concerning a book, in publication by him and E. L. Moffitt, Editor of the "Christian Sun," styled, "The Christians Not Disciples."

Dr. W. T. Herndon also made an announcement relative to Elon College.

J. B. Hedgepeth and E. J. Elsworth delegates from Barretts were enrolled.

The committee on religious services announced that Rev. S. B. Klapp of the North Carolina and Virginia conference would preach in this church to-night at 7:30 o'clock.

On motion conference adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock. Prayer by Dr. W. T. Herndon of the N. C. & Va. Conference.

SECOND DAY.

After devotional exercises conducted by Rev. N. G. Newman the president called the body to order.

The roll of ministers and delegates was called and the minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Delegates Jno. S. Felton, T. E. Eure, from Eures; L. H. Whitley, and W. M. Stephenson, from Isle of Wight C. H., were enrolled.

Rev. Roger Charnock arrived and was enrolled.

The following resolution, offered by Rev. N. G. Newman, was discussed and on motion adopted:

Whereas, The course of study pursued by ministerial students at Elon College, though thorough and extensive is only classical and scientific, and our young ministers who graduate from that institution and enter upon the ministry without special ministerial training, and

Whereas, We believe in the necessity of special training for the ministry as well as for any other profession.

Resolved, (1) That we feel the necessity of, and recommend a special biblical course for our young men before entering upon the ministry.

Resolved, (2) That this conference memorialize the General Convention of the Christian church, South, requesting it to take steps looking to the establishment of a Biblical Chair at Elon College for the special benefit of students preparing for the ministry and other gospel work.

The ministerial report of Rev. Roger Charnock was received.

Church letters were called for and on motion referred to the tabulating committee.

The committee on temperance and Sunday schools reported that they were not ready to submit their reports.

It was decided to have the minutes of this session printed in the Christian Annual as usual.

On motion it was ordered that the money for Annuals be paid to the Collector of conference and that the persons ordering same give their names and post-offices to the Collector.

On motion Rev. M. W. Butler, E. E. Holland, and Rev. J. T. Kitchen were constituted a committee to arrange conference assessments for the coming year.

Delegates were enrolled as follows: Suffolk: W. H. Gay; Damascus: J. R. Corbett, K. C. Rountree; Waverly: C. D. West; Bethlehem: J. T. Pruden; New Lebanon: R. B. Connelly.

Dr. C. J. Jones and Rev. J. T. Kitchen arrived and were enrolled.

On motion the report of committee on Education was taken up at this time.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

In the department of education our work has grown year by year, and the future is full of promise. Those who aspire to the ministry are looking higher in their preparation, and this indicates growth in our churches. There is a general awakening among our people on this vast subject, and they are responding liberally in donations and patronage. The foremost institution under our care and worthy of our hearty endorsement is Elon College.

I. This school contains possibilities for our cause, that no other enterprise can claim. It has aroused an enthusiasm and established a confidence that has redoubled our efforts and our hopes. Eight young men from this conference have graduated from Elon, and six of that number are ministers. We have reason to be proud of the part which we have taken in the establishment and support of this successful institution, and to hope that it will perpetuate all that we have contributed for the education of future generations. We therefore reaffirm our faith in our loyalty to this institution.

II. The Suffolk Military and Collegiate Institute shares in our endorsement, and the patronage is greatly increased over last year. It is a school for boys only, and is doing excellent work. Although a private institution. it furnishes all the intellectual and moral help suited to liberal training,

III. We inaugurated a plan ten years ago to aid in Ministerial education by lending money to young men without interest. The idea was that this fund would gradually return to continue its work of aiding others. Up to the present time aid has been rendered as follows:

N. G. Newman	$290.00
C. C. Peel	170.00
J. W. Rawls	425 00
R. H. Peel	299.50
W. J. Laine	475.00
L. L. Lassiter	100.00
J. W. Harrell	75 00
	$1,834.50
C. C. Peel paid	170.00
	$1664.50
Cash in Bank	182.24
Total asssets	$1,846.74

We herewith presents bonds of J. W. Rawls for $425.00 and of R. H. Peel for $299.50.

We recommend the following appropriations:

John W. Harrell	$100.00
L. L. Lassiter	50.00
W. J Laine-	50.00
J. W. Johnson	50.00
	$250.00

We recommend that John W. Harrell be licensed after graduation, under the direction of this committee.

We recommend the ordination of Revs. James Wallace Rawls and Robert Henry Peel, licentiates of this conference, during the present session.

Revs. Joseph H. Jones and William J. Laine, licentiates of this conference,

are now in tne Divinity school of Harvard University where they will remain during the present scholastic year.

Licentiate, R. D. H. Demarest is planning to attend Elon College, as soon as he can arrange to so.

We recommend to the favorable consideration of ministers the Christian Correspondence college under the charge of Rev. Martyn Summerbell, D. D. as president, Lewiston, Maine.

W. W. STALEY,
M. W. BUTLER,
N. G. NEWMAN,
C. J. JONES.

Discussed by Dr. W. W. Staley and Rev. M. W. Butler, and on motion adopted.

The committee on Sunday schools submitted their report and after discussion by Rev. Roger Charnock and Dr. W. W. Staley the report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

It is with pleasure and heartfelt thanksgiving to God that we notice the revivals in tne various churches, which have been instrumental in leading so many of our Sunday school scholars into the Savior's fold.

Truly can we say that the Lord has heard the prayers of His people, and granted the desires of their hearts.

Never has there been a time when the various branches of Sunday school work have been so flourishing as now.

Never a time when the hearts of the children of God have been so alive to the need of greater fervor on the part of the church towards the Sunday school than now.

And we believe there has never existed a period in the history of our beloved Zion in which greater efforts have been made to draw them into the fold of our Lord.

Still we feel there are many fields to be occupied and many agencies to be filled before we can reach our ideal Sunday school.

It is with gladnesss that we notice the growing interest manisfested towards the Sunday school literature of the Christian Publishing House, and we would suggest continued patronage towards the same!

As a committee we suggest that the officers and teachers be punctual in their attendance, and that the presiding officers be prompt in the opening exercises.

It is also deemed advisable for the pastors, as often as possible to devote some portion of the church services to the children feeling assured that when the children are always expected to be seen and not heard without any part of the service being called theirs, they cannot enjoy the services of the sanctuary.

We also suggest that in the Sunday school quarterly lessons on temperance special emphasis be given and that the teachers use the same so that the scholars may be taught the first great lessons of total abstinence.

Special temperance meetings might be held, so as to bring this subject more prominently before the young and rising generation.

Where convenient we recommend that Endeavor Societies be estableshed in order that the scholars may exercise the talents lent to them by God.

The foreign missionary cause should receive more attention than it does.

Our hope for success in raising funds for this great cause, does not rest upon those who have never been tanght that it is necessary to consecrate the pocket book, as well as the soul to Christ's cause; but it is in the young and rising generation, who may be taught that their all belongs to the Lord.

As a committee we deplore one item of our school programs of necessities, viz. the growing tendency to use secular and oftentimes questionable methods of raising school funds and would suggest that by self denial and love for this glorious work, loving hearts may be led to adopt the spirit of cheerful giving without bringing in any ohter means.

ROGER CHARNOCK,
J. W. BARRETT,
O. M. CROCKER,

Delegates enrolled: Noly Neck: W. N. Norfleet; Antioch: J. A. Barrett; Franklin: I. W. Norfleet, A. T. Lee.

Rev. C. H. Swank, of the Virginia Valley Conference was invited to a seat as a deliberative member. He bore the fraternal greetings of that body to this conference.

The ministerial report of Rev. C. J. Jones, D. D., was received.

On motion the following resolution was adopted:

Moved, That a committee be created to take into consideration the action of the American Christian Convention in its recent session on church or Christian Union, and report commending action for this conference.

Drs. C. J. Jones, W. W. Staley, and Rev. J. T. Kitchen were appointed a committee on church or Christian Union.

On motion Rev. Roger Charnock was substituted in place of F. L. Portlock on tabulating committee.

The time for religious services having arrived conference adjourned to resume business at 2 o'clock p. m.

Rev. Roger Charnock was announced to preach.

AFTER-NOON SESSION.

Called to order by the president.

REPORT ON CHURCH UNION.

WHEREAS, We believe that the distinct, repeated, and emphatic declarations of the Divine Word teach the unity of the church in the Lord Jesus Christ, and that the subject of our Master's most impassioned prayer was, and is, that his spiritual children may be one, even as He and the Father are one, and

WHEREAS, The spirit of Christian Union pervades and inspires the church of the living God perhaps as never before, moving many of the leaders among men to advocate measares, and set upon foot Church, Conference, and Convention action looking to inter-denominational co-

operation, with distinct reference to the end of organic Christian union, and

WHEREAS, The American Christian Convention in its recent session deliberated at length and decided upon a report, and the election of a representative commission to carry out the purposes of that report, Therefore be it

RESOLVED, 1. That we listen to the reading of the report unanimously and enthusiastically adopted by the American Christian Convention, in the recent session of that body in Haverhill, Mass.

2. That we make that report a part of this report and adopt it as our own.

A. C. C. ON CHRISTIAN UNION.

The following is a copy of the closing paragraph of the committee's report and the resolutions adopted on Christian Union at the late session of the American Christian Convention:

Our action should not limit itself to the members of any one body. Any Christian or body of Christians who will meet us as we would meet them, to devise measures for inter-denominational and inter-Christian fraternization and co-operation for Gospel work, shall have a sincere welcome. We hold and avow ourselves as ready to work together with any body on conditions simply Christian for simply Chrisitan ends. We would therefore recommend that this Convention express itself in the adoption of the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, It is a fundamental principle with our Christian body that the followers of Christ should not be divided, but should be united in combined work against the forces of evil, and for the upbuilding of the kingdom of righteousness; and

WHEREAS, Generally among Christians and bodies of Christians in recent times there is a strong tendency in the same direction, so much so that direct overtures have come to us from the Congregationalists for closer fraternal relations and co-operative action; and,

WHEREAS, We are in favor of any practical measures which promise greater good for Christ through wider co-operation among his disciples; therefore,

Resolved, 1, That the American Christian Convention approve the formation of co-operative union between the Christians and the Congregationalists or any other denomination seeking such a union, or between the Christians and any one of the others, it being understood that the co-operating bodies are considered as in parity of Christian standing and that the co-operative union is not based upon doctrinal tests.

Resolved, 2, That the Christian bodies entering such a co-operative union are to have a common interest in spreading the Gospel, and are to labor for the promotion of the common welfare; but that its work is to be conducted without detriment to any institutions as at present constituted, such as Conferences, Conventions, Associations, Publishing Houses, Mission Boards, Colleges, and Theological Seminaries, and without impairing the vigorous prosecution of existing enterprises.

Resolved, 3, That members of churches within such co-operative union. on change of residence to a community unprovided with a church of their own people, are encouraged to join some church within the co-operative bodies in preference to any other.

Resolved, 4, That should any ministers who are members of any of the co-operating bodies accept calls from any churches of any of the other bodies, their names may be held on the lists of members of their own bodies while in good standing, and while remaining within the union provided that their names shall not stand on corresponding lists of two bodies.

Resolved, 5 That we advise the appointment of a commission of twelve members to act in connection with similar commissions of other bodies in all matters pertaining to the interest involved.

Resolved, 6, That in any action of the commissions the vote of one-third of the members present representing any one body shall negative the action prosposed so far as our body is concerned.

Resolved, 7, That this Convention approves the taking of similar action in State associations, conferences, or other subordinate bodies; but that all action may be subject to revision by the national bodies represented in any co operative union.

Resolved, 8, That it is the opinion and sentiment of this Convention that the ultimate ideal of Christian union is the union of all the followers of Christ in one organic body, inspired with the spirit of the Master, existing and acting with single reference to carrying on his work, building up his kingdom and bringing the world to Christ; and we would encourage and co-operate with any and all measures looking to this end.

C. J. JONES,
J T. KITCHEN,
W. W. STALEY.
Com.

The discussion of the report aroused much enthusiasm and was participated in by quite a number. The report was adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

Col. A. Savage was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

On motion the secretary was instructed to send the report of the committee on Church Union to the CHRISTIAN SUN for publication. He was also directed to send the report to the secretary of the American Christian Convention showing the concurrence of this body.

The report of committee on Religious Literature was on motion made a special order for 2 p. m. to-morrow.

It was moved and carried that the ordination of R. H. Peel and J. W. Rawls take place to-morrow immediately after the sermon. Drs. W. W. Staley, C. J. Jones, and

Rev. Roger Charnock were appointed an ordaining Presbytery.

A paper from the Va. Valley Conference was presented through Rev. C. H. Swank, and after discussion, conference advised that the matter be referred by that body to the executive committee of the General Christian Convention of the South. The secretary was instructed to express our sympathy to that body through their fraternal messenger, Rev. C. H. Swank.

The committee on Religious Services announced that Rev. J. T. Kitchen would preach in this church to-night at 7:30 o'clock, and that Dr. C. J. Jones would preach to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

On motion conference adjourned to meet to-morrow at 10 o'clock a. m. Prayer by Rev. R. H. Peel.

THIRD DAY.

After devotional exercises conference was called to order by the president.

Roll of ministers and delegates called. Minutes of yesterday's session read and approved.

A letter from Rev. H. C. Moore, to Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., stating his loyalty to the Christian faith was laid before conference, and on motion the letter was referred to the president of this body to answer as he saw best.

On motion it was ordered that the money paid in by churches for Christian Annuals be placed to the credit of the conference and publication fund; and that eighty dollars be appropriated from said C. & P. Fund to pay for 1000 copies of the Annual; and that Rev. N. G. Newman be appointed a committee of one to furnish a list of names, post-offices, and number of copies to be sent; the distribution to be made according to membership in the churches, provided that no church shall receive a smaller number than that subscribed for.

Additional ministerial reports were received.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

This committee has nothing new on Temperance to report to the Conference at its present session. The whole field has been so often surveyed, that there is no part of it left unnoticed. Line after line has been written, recommendation upon recommendation has been made, and much good has been accomplished by these means. The temperance cause is gaining influence and prominence every year, and men and women are beginning to think and act as never before upon this subject. We are glad to know that the Christian world is marching to success and glory in this grand work of the age They who lead, follow, and work in the temperance cause will be respected by men and honored and blessed by the Lord. The suffering, the crime, the misery, the poverty, the destruction of manhood and womanhood, the disgrace, the sin which the use of liquor has produced is enough to cause every one to stand boldy against the use in any form of that which intoxicates. The signal blast of temperance has been sounded both in the Old and New Testaments with loving pathos and with divine power—it has rolled down the centuries and surged through the corridors of time, and still gives a certain sound of deliverance and victory. But before complete victory is gained we will have to toil hard and pray much. Intoxicating drink in all its forms, the old serpent with its deadly fangs, is still in the way of our progress.

We recommend to this Conference and to every member of the churches composing the same, to touch not, taste not, handle not anything which will produce drunkenness. "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging, and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise."

J. T. KITCHEN,
JNO. S. FELTON,
H. H. BUTLER,
Com.

After discussion the report was adopted.

The time having arrived for preaching by Dr. Jones as heretofore announced, conference adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

AFTER-NOON SESSION.

The president called the conference to order.

Delegates were enrolled as follows:

Suffolk: P. J. Kernodle, G. W. Truit; Oakland: A. L. Saunders; Berkley: S. A. Eley; Ivor: G. W. Brittle; Cypress Chapel: W. A. King; Bethany: W. W. Ellis; Burton's Grove: E. W. Carroll.

On motion G. W. Truit was substituted in place of E. E. Holland on committee on finance.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

In these days of progression in the intellectual as well as in the mechanical and scientific world it is absolutely necessary that we keep abreast with the times.

And it is certain that as each decade comes and goes it brings and leaves behind it higher standards as far as literary productions are concerned, which are created by the advance of thought and learning.

The science of to day seems vastly different from the science of ten years ago, for out of the perplexing labyrinths of the past we are emerging into a new era, in which the seeming impossibilities of the past are declared certainties.

The character of our newspapers and scientific maguzines is constantly on the upward grade, this being a necessity because men grow intellectually as well as physically.

So that it is but natural to expect that our religious productions as far as our papers are concerned shall likewise show signs of growth.

We cannot disparage any past movement on the part of our editors, because the efforts of the past have helped us to attain to our present position.

We are looking for still greater things from our new editors, so that the CHRISTIAN SUN may be made the means of still greater blessing.

To this end therefore, we your committee recognizing the importance of the obligations resting upon the leaders of religious thought, do most heartily approve and endorse the official organs of our church as at present conducted. Therefore be it resolved:

1st. That we commend to the careful reading of all our members and friends the CHRISTIAN SUN, the Herald of Gospel Liberty, the American Christian and the Christian Missionary as the acceptable channels of information and approved exponents of our church principles.

2nd. While recognizing the ability and devotion of those who have heretofore managed and directed the interests of our church journals, we do most heartily welcome the new editors of the CHRISTIAN SUN, Herald of Gospel Liberty and the American Christian to their new positions, to our conferences, to our churches and homes.

3rd. We do most sincerely pledge to these brethren our earnest co-operation in the work committed to their hands and in the more wide and general circulation of our literature.

4th. We commend the Sunday school literature as prepared at our Publishing House, at Dayton, Ohio, gladly note the improvements which have been made in the past, and may reasonably expect that as Dr. Watson will henceforth devote his entire time to the publication of our Sunday school literature, such improvements will be made as to constitute them first class in every particular.

C. J. JONES,
ROGER CHARNOCK,
ALEX SAVAGE,
Com.

Discussed by Drs. C. J. Jones, W. W. Staley, and Rev. M. L. Hurley and on motion adopted.

The report of committee on Home Missions was submitted. On motion the report was taken up, item by item, and after an amendment to the second item it was adopted as a whole as follows:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your committee submits for your careful consideration the following facts and suggestions:

1. Your body owes Col. A. Savage the sum of $3377 06, being the sum, with interest due, assumed by this conference four years ago in behalf of the Norfolk church. Col. Savage now asks that a payment of $377 06 be made, so reducing the amount to $3000 00, and that for this sum the conference execute to him a satisfactory paper, for which he will make to this body a deed to the land on which the Norfolk church now stands. We urge that this matter be settled in the way here suggested, or in a similar manner, as in case of death we might have much trouble as to the title, but now such a difficulty may be permanently avoided.

We recommend that the sum of $400.00 he appropriated to the Norforlk work to aid it in supporting the pastor of that church

The last session of this body appropriated $75 to aid Rev. R. H. Peel in his first year's work, as his support was limited. Bro. Peel has been economical and has not used a cent of the money. We highly commend his economy and his kind consideration of the financial interests of this body, and we ask that a check be given him for the sum of $25.00.

We urge the adoption of the suggestion made by the President in the annual address to the effect that we seek to raise $1200 00 for Home Missions in the coming conference year, and to this end we ask that hereafter when a church fails to send up to conference the missionary assessment, that reasons for such failure be asked for, and when not satisfactory, that the pastors be held responsible for such failure, and that the responsibility be fixed under order of Conference.

We advise that no church or mission point be exempt, from assessment, and we do this because in the first years of a mission point its habits are formed, and if formed by giving nothing, it may later be difficult to form a correct estimate of duty and to perform a faithful dis charge of the same.

At no period in our history have we confronted such increasing and important demands for missionary funds, and we plead with the churches to show a generous, liberal spirit in raising the collections to enable this body to do the work before it.

J. PRESSLEY BARRETT,
E. E. HOLLAND,
R A. HYSLOP.

It was announced that the Christian Missionary Association would have a meeting to-night in this church.

Dr. C. J. Jones, Revs. Roger Charnock, and J. W. Rawls were constituted a committee to prepare a programme for the missionary rally to-night.

The report of collector was submitted and on motion referred to the committee on finance.

On motion conference adjourned to meet to-morrow at 10 o'clock. Prayer by Rev. J. W. Barrett.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

Ministers	Sermons Preach'd	Lectures, &c	Prayer Meetings	Conversions	Pastoral Visits	Funeral Services	Marriages	Amount of Salary
J. P. Barrett	131	20	25	130			7	$1250 00
J. W. Barrett	48			60	300	1	5	446 00
M. W. Butler	100	52	40	30	30	6	3	600 00
H. H. Butler	126	6	22	256	368	14	26	800 75
Roger Charnock	108	19	50	120	300	6	3	420 50
R. D. P. Dem'rest	56	7	15	32	217	2		42 50
R. H. Holland						3		6 00
M. L. Hurley	104	14						
C. J. Jones	117	62	62	55	632			1600 00
J. H. Jones	12	2	3			1		
J. T. Kitchen	100	40	40	45		12	12	350 00
N. G. Newman	62	4	5	40	174	5	15	723 21
R. H. Peel	60	4	5	61		4		219 50
J. W. Rawls	67	3	26	46	143	5		390 00
W. W. Staley	100	10	40	53	300	21	7	1200 00

FOURTH DAY.

After divine services conference was called to order by the president.

The roll was called and minutes of yesterday's session were read, corrected, and approved.

It was announced that the Christian Missionary Association had a very enthusiastic meeting last night, and that ten dollars was raised, and furthermore that Mrs. M. V. Ames and Miss Mary Johnson were elected delegates to represent that money in the general meeting of that Association in December next.

Rev. N. G. Newman was appointed to fill a vacancy in the committe on finance.

The committee on assessments for the ensuing year submitted their report, and after some discussion the report, on motion, was adopted.

ASSESMENTS FOR 1895.

Churches.	Home Missions.	For. Missions.	Educational.	Superannuated.	Gen. and Pub.	Convention.	Total.
Antioch	$ 85	$15	$10	$5	$ 5	$ 5	$ 125
Barretts	15	6	5	2	2	2	32
Berea (Norfolk)	45	10	10	3	3	3	74
Berea (Nansemond)	90	15	15	5	5	5	135
Berkley	20	10	5	3	3	3	44
Bethany	30	5	3	2	4	3	47
Bethlehem	78	12	10	2	3	5	110
Burton's Grove	25	8	3	2	4	2	44
Centerville	10	4	2	1	2	2	21
Cypress Chapel	95	15	10	2	3	5	130
Damascus	50	12	12	2	5	4	85
Eures	20	6	5	3	3	3	40
Franklin	15	6	5	3	5	4	38
Holland	20	6	5	2	4	3	40
Holy Neck	100	20	10	5	10	5	150
Isle of Wight C. H.	15	5	3	2	4	3	32
Ivor	15	5	5	1	4	2	32
Johnson's Grove	15	5	5	1	4	2	32
Liberty Spring	39	8	8	3	4	3	65
Mt. Carmel	50	10	10	4	6	4	84
Mt. Zion	33	10	5	3	5	4	60
New Lebanon	10	4	4	2	2	2	24
Norfolk	10	10	4	2	5	2	33
Oakland	32	8	10	3	3	3	59
Providence	50	20	10	3	5	4	92
Spring Hill	40	10	10	2	5	4	71
Suffolk	105	25	10	5	5	5	155
Union (Surry)	15	5	5	2	2	2	31
Union (Southampton)	10	5	5	2	2	2	26
Waverly	33	8	2	2	2	3	50
Windsor	30	6	3	2	2	3	46
	1200	294	209	81	121	102	2007

M. W. BUTLER,
E. E. HOLLAND,
J. T. KITCHEN.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

God prospers the work of his devout and earnest laborers. He crowns the efforts of those who strive to promote his cause and to carry his love and the light of his gospel to hearts and lives that are veiled in darkness and sin.

The everlasting commission is to preach the gospel to every people. The command comes to us as a church and as individuals—is a positive order from the captain of our salvation, and we dare not disobey.

Our Japan Mission is prospering. The demand is every day increasing for both men and funds. New stations are constantly being opened up, and those who are now living and dying in darkness are opening their hearts for the reception of truth. They hunger for the bread of life. They long to drink from that fountain of which it is said, "If a man drink he shall never thirst again." The pure gospel of Christ will satisfy; shall we send it to them?

Two other missionaries, under the direction of our board, have recently gone to the benighted land.

Feeling that our own people are not as well informed as they ought to be, and knowing that one becomes more interested in a thing when he is better acquainted with it we submit the following recommendations:

1. That every church have at least one missionary service during each year, to consist of missionary songs, missionary essays, and missionary talks and addresses; that this service take place at some regular time for preaching or when the pastor can be present; and that the pastor be required to inform himself beforehand aud to make an address on every such occasion.

2. That our people come to the support of the "Christian Missionary," a monthly now published by Rev. J. G. Bishop, Dayton, O.

3. That the churches make earnest efforts to raise every dollar of the assessments made upon them for this purpose.

R. H. HOLLAND,
J. W. RAWLS,
I. W. NORFLEET

Discussed by Revs. J. W. Rawls, Roger Charnock, H. H. Butler, Dr. J. P. Barrett, G. W. Post, and on motion adopted.

The committee to tabulate church letters submitted their report, and on motion, the report was approved.

Resolved, That the united and hearty thanks of the conference be extended to the members and friends of Holland Christian church for the royal manner in which the conference has been entertained, that we record an earnest prayer that spiritual blessings in great abundance may rest upon every house, and abide in every heart, and that by a rising, popular vote we may record our hearty adoption of this resolution.

C. J. JONES.

The resolution was adopted unanimously.

On motion the secretary was ordered to draw on the treasurer for $1.75 for bill rendered.

A paper by Rev. M. W. Butler relating to holding district meetings was laid before conference. Pending the discussion of this matter, the time having arrived for preaching by Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., on motion the session of conference was extended one hour.

The paper was further discussed, but upon a vote being taken it failed in adoption.

The standing committees are as follows:

Education: W. W. Staley, Roger Charnock, N. G. Newman, M. W. Butler.

Home Missions: M. W. Butler, E. E. Holland, R. A. Hyslop.

Religious Literature: C. J. Jones, A. Savage, J. T. Kitchen, D. J. Bowden.

Foreign Missions: J. W. Barrett, F. L. Portlock, R. L. Bunting, H. H. Butler.

Sunday Schools: J. W. Rawls, M. L. Watkins, F. L. Curling.

Temperance: M. L. Hurley, I. W. Norfleet, L. H. Whitley, W. J. Lee.

Executive Committee: J. P. Barrett, N. G. Newman, H. H. Butler.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the heartfelt sympathy of this conference be expressed to Wm. T. Holland of this vicinity in the death of his son, Dr. Wm. T. which occurred during the present session.

The report of committee on Finance was submitted and on motion adopted.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

We have examined the report of the Treasurer and find it correct, with vouchers for all disbursements.

We have examined the report of the Collector and find it correct so far as our knowledge goes, but accompanied by no voucher for the disposition of the money.

G. W. TRUITT,
N. G. NEWMAN,
W. J. LEE.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Wm. H. Jones, Jr., Treasurer, in account with
The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference

HOME MISSION FUND.

		Dr.	Cr.
1893.			
Oct. 30.	To balance	$29.73	
Nov. 4.	" Conference collections	515 14	
Nov. 4.	By cash paid T. R. Gaskins		$30.00
Nov. 3.	By cash paid Norfolk Missions		100.00
1894.			
Feb. 2.	" " " " "		100.00
May 1.	" " " " "		100.00
Aug. 3.	" " " " "		100.00
Oct. 29.	Balance on hand		114.87
		$544.87	$544.87

CONVENTION FUND.

1893.			
Oct. 30.	To Balance	30 86	
Nov. 4.	" Collection at Conference	21.93	
1894.			
Oct. 29.	Balance on hand		52.79
		$52.79	$52.79

FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

1893.			
Oct. 30.	To Balance	230.92	
Nov. 4.	" Collections at Conference	127.73	
1894.			
Oct. 29.	Balance on hand		358.65
		$358.65	$358.65

SUPERANNUATED FUND.

1893-			
Oct- 30.	To Balance	13.28	
Nov. 4.	To Collections at Conference	53.49	
Nov. 6.	By cash paid S. S. Barrett		10.00
1894.			
Oct. 29.	Balance on hand,		56.77
		$66.77	$66.77

CONFERENCE AND PUBLICATION FUND.

1893.			
Oct. 30.	To Balance	28.50	
Nov. 4.	To Collections at Conference	83.00	
1894.			
Jan. 18.	By cash paid Clements and Mood		60.00
Ap'l 25.	" " " T. J. Lawrence		2.98
Oct. 29.	Balance on hand		48.52
		$111.50	$111.50

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

1893.		
Oct. 30. To Balance	200.44	
Nov. 4. " Collections at Conference	160.80	
Nov. 4. By cash paid W. T. Herndon Agt.		4.00
Nov. 16. " " " J. W. Harrell		37.50
Nov. 28. " " " W. J. Laine		50.00
1894.		
Feb 6. " " " J. W. Harrell		37.50
M'ch, 3. " " " W. J. Laine		50.00
Oct. 29, Balance on hand		182.24
	$361.24	$361.24

SUMMARY.

Home Missions	114.87
Convention Fund	52.79
Foreign Missions	358.65
Superannuated Fund	56.77
Conference and Publication Fund	48 52
Educational	182.24
	$813.84

BILLS RECEIVABLE ON HAND.

N. G. Newman	290.00

Respectfully submitted,
Wm. H. JONES, Jr. Treas., E. Va. C. C.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Amounts collected during the present session of Conference:

Home Missions	$503.78
Foreign Missions	122.25
Educational Fund	126.39
Superannuated Fund	48.08
Conference and Publication Fund	42.50
Convention Fund	38.20
Collections on Annuals	29.90
	$911.10

F. L. PORTLOCK, Collector.

The minutes of today's session were read and approved.

On motion conference adjourned to meet with the Main Street Christian church of Berkley, Va., on Tuesday before the first Sunday in November, 1895 at 11 o'clock a. m.

J. P. BARRETT, Pres.
Norfolk, Va.

T. J. LAWRENCE, Secy.,
South Quay, Va.

N. G. NEWMAN Asst. Secy.
Suffolk, Va.

Churches.	Pastors	Secretaries and Postoffices	Present Mem'ship	No. Last Session	Received Since	Dismissed	Withdrawn	Died	Suspended	Expelled	Amount Paid Pastor	Establishing Schools	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Educational Fund	Superannuated	Conf. and Pub.	Convention Fund	Other Purposes	Total Amount	Value of Church Property
Antioch	J P Barrett	T J Clements, Windsor	347	324	41	11		3		4	$300 00		11 91	$2 00	$1 50	1 00	$ 25	$ 34	$	$317 00	$2000
Barretts	J W Barrett		152	148	8					4	100 00									100 00	600
Berea (Norfolk)	J P Barrett	M W Hollowell, Gt Bridge	151	128	26			3			350 00		10 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	61	44 00	409 61	1500
Berea (Nansemond)	N G Newman	F M Arthur, Driver	146	147	4	3		2			334 50		80 00	15 00	20 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	474 00	954 00	5000
Berkley	M W Butler	B F Townsend, Berkley	131	99							600 00		15 00	5 50	5 00	1 50	1 50	1 50	630 50	1260 50	7000
Bethany	R H Peel	T J Lawrence, South Quay	70	73	2	1	1	3			104 50		20 00	5 00	5 00	1 55	1 00	1 00	15 00	153 05	1600
Bethlehem	H H Butler	J W Faulk, Suffolk	309	255	63	1	4	2		1	200 00		20 00	3 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	67	125 00	355 67	1600
Burton's Grove	Roger Charnock	J A Ltevenson, Airfield	118	120	10	2	6	3		1	80 00		8 80							88 80	1000
Centerville	Roger Charnock	A T Hatch, Disputanta	33	24	18		5	3		1	32 75									32 75	225
Cypress Chapel	H H Butler	W A King, Suffolk	320	307	25	10		2			225 00		20 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	84		254 84	2500
Damascus	H H Butler	J R Corbet, Sunsbury, N C	277	260	22			2		2	200 00		14 55	1 00	1 00	81	50	50	85 00	303 36	1000
Dendron																					
Eures	J W Rawls	J A Sparkman, Eures, N C	131	124	14		3	2		2	90 00		3 00	1 00	1 75				35 00	130 75	1000
Franklin	J W Rawls	D P Rawls, Franklin	44	43	4	2				1	175 00	12 00	10 00	6 00	5 00	4 00	4 00	4 00	167 15	387 15	3000
Holland	J W Rawls	R H Holland, Holland	193	157	15	8		1			125 00		10 00	6 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	35 00	190 00	1000
Holy Neck	N G Newman	P L Everett, Holland	481	459	27	1		4			373 21		90 00	18 00	20 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	67 10	583 31	3000
Isle of Wight C. H.	J T Kitchen	R L Spivey, Isle of Wight	81	68	13						100 00		5 15	50	50	50	50	50		107 65	2000
Ivor	Roger Charnock	J W Brittle, Ivor	60	63			1	2			52 00		10 18	3 50	1 47				5 00	72 15	1000
Johnson's Grove	J W Barrett	J W Johnson, Vicksville	101	108	6		1	1		11	115 00		64	50	60	96	50			118 22	500
Liberty Spring	R H Peel	T E Parker, Savage Xing	201	169	37	1	1	2		1	150 00		8 00	2 00	2 38				55 00	217 38	1500
Mt. Carmel	J T Kitchen	P D Harrell, Windsor	283	293	3	4	2	3		4	150 00	12 00	10 00	8 00	4 00	1 00	2 00	74		187 74	1200
Mt. Zion	H H Butler	G w Haughwout, Crittend'n	75	65	15	2	3				150 00		6 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	1 00		112 00	280 00	3000
New Lebanon	J W Barrett	O V Crocker Spottsville	83	78	7					2	100 00		3 00	2 20	1 17	1 50	25		25 00	133 12	1000
Norfolk	C J Jones	M J W White, Norfolk	313	273	55	2	8	5			1600 00				5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00		1620 00	25000
Oakland	H H Butler	A L Saunders, Everett	158	129	30	1					150 00		20 25	25						170 50	2500
Providence	J P Barrett	F L Portlock, Norfolk	76	79		2	1				600 00		20 00	10 00	6 00	1 31	3 00	3 00	50 00	693 31	2500
Spring Hill	Roger Charnock	R T West. Waverly	122	107	19	2				2	200 00								38 00	238 00	1000
Suffolk	W W Staley	B F Cutchin, Suffolk	359	302	64	4	2	3			1200 00		90 00	15 00	15 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	2300 91	3635 91	30000
Union (Surry)	J W Barrett	C W Whitmore, Dendron	93	96	5	2	1			5	100 00	50	6 00	4 00	1 00	1 90	1 00	50		114 90	1000
Union (Southamp.)	R D H Dem'rest	J I Joyner, Franklin	130	118	18	2		2		2	42 50				5 00	1 70				49 20	800
Waverly	Roger Charnock	T W Johnson, Waverly	103	86	17						250 00									250 00	1000
Windsor	J T Kitchen	Jesse M Roberts, Windsor	51	54	4	4	3	1			100 00		13 00	5 00		1 00	1 00		100 00	220 00	1500

Proceedings

OF THE

DEEP RIVER CONFERENCE

IN ITS

Twenty-Eighth Annual Session.

SHILOH, RANDOLPH CO., N. C.; Nov. 8, 1894.

The Deep River Christian Conference met here to-day and was called to order by Rev. J. W. Patton, president of last session.

ELDERS PRESENT: Revs. J. S. Lawrence, W. W. Hayworth, P. H. Fleming, C. C. Peel, J. W. Patton, H. A. Albright, W. W. Lawrence, H. T. Moffitt, J. A. Webster, and J. W. Hatch.

CHURCHES: Shiloh: S. L. Hayworth and S. T. Moffitt; Smithwood: P. D. Reitzel and J. M. Way; Macedonia:——; Asheboro: D. R. Stinson; Park's X Roads: W. A. Stout; Christian Union: Calvin McNeil; Union Grove: E. C. Brown, D. C. Brown: Pleasant Grove: Jas. Scott, J. F. Cox, Alfred Brady; Patterson's Grove: Eli Marley; Pleasant Cross: J. A. Henson, E. J. V. Craven; New Center: T. W. Lawrence; Pleasant Ridge: A. H. Williams, L. I. Cox; Pleasant Union:———; Spoon's Chapel: W. H. Kenney; Shady Grove: S. H. Freeman, D. A. McLeod; Brown's Chapel: W. L. Brewer, W. C. Saunders; Big Oak: E. Sheffield, J. R, Ferr; Antioch (R): W. W. Brady, J. M. Fox: St. Johns:——; Staley:——; Mt. Union: Thos. M. Phillips: New Bear Creek:——; Burlington: J. A. Turrentine, W. K. Holt; New Providence:——:Liberty:——;Pleasant Hill: W. G. Murchison. J. A. Fogleman; Clover Orchard:——; Zion: R.

F. Johnson, W. D. Buchannon; Center Grove: T. J. Bland; Grace's Chapel:——; Poplar Branch:——; Winder:——; Keyser:——; High Point: H. J. Wood; Hank's Chapel:——; Graham:——; Egypt:——; Antioch (C):——.

A quorum being present, conference elected permanent officers as follows; viz: Rev. J. W. Patton, president and Rev. C. C. Peel, assistant secretary.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. P. H. Fleming—reading Psa. xix.

On motion, all the licentiates were invited to seats as deliberative members.

On motion conference suspended business to hear the annual address. Bro. J. S. Lawrence then gave a talk, welcoming the ministers and delegates coming from the old N. C. & Va. C. C.

Conference resumed business—church letters were called for and read. On motion conference decided to meet at 9 a.m. and adjourn at will.

The chair appointed the pastor and deacons of this church a committee on Religious Exercises. On motion, the secretary was instructed to secure and send out blanks to the ministers and secretaries of the churches composing this conference that they may make their annual report the first day of conference. Reports of ministers called for.

The chair appointed Bro. L. I. Cox to receive money for the annuals.

Phillips' Chapel Christian church petitioned for admission into this conference as a member. The petition was granted aud the following delegates were enrolled viz: W. D. Cox, A. R. Phillips.

On motion, Rev. C. C. Peel was elected to preach the next annual sermon and Rev. P. H. Fleming alternate.

On motion Smithwood, Guilford Co., N. C. was selected as the place for holding the next annual conference.

On motion, Conference adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTER-NOON SESSION.

President in the chair, Conference resumed business.

The chair appointed the following to fill vacancies on standing committees:

Foreign Missions: P. H. Fleming and W. G. Murchinson.

Peace and Arbitration: Calvin McNeil, H. A. Albright.

On motion, The licentiates were requested to make their report in open conference and their reports then referred to the committee on education. The report on Peace and Arbitration was called for which was as follows:

We your committee on Peace and Arbitration would respectfully submit the following report: Peace in the vocabulary of the world is absence from strife as contention. Peace is a blessing promised of God to all who seek it. Peace is the normal condition and natural inheritance, of every member of the human family. Its compliment, contention, strife, war, are recognized as among the greatest evils to which the human family has been, or can be, subjected. To secure "Peace on earth came the Lord Jesus Christ, laid the foundation, built His church and commissioned it to complete the work. As a branch of the church of Christ it is, then, clearly our duty to oppose all war and fightings as being at variance with the manifest plan and purpose of God. "It is impossible, but that offense will come, but woe unto him through whom they come." As conflicts of interest will arise it is the human duty of the church of Christ to so premeate organized society with the spirit of Christ that all such conflicts will seek peaceful solution by arbitration and without resort to force. Therefore be it resolved:

1st. That we are unqualifiedly opposed to the reference far udjustment, of any question, local, national or international to the final arbitrament of arms.

2nd. We believe it to be the duty of all parties to such conflicts to submit their grievances to a board of arbitration for peaceful adjustment.

3rd. We believe it to be the duty of the proper authorities to create official boards of arbitration, before whom just decision may be had, both state, national and international.

4th. We heartily endorse the work and rejoice in the progress of the peace societies of the world, in spreading the principles of peace, forcing their recognition and securing their application by the leading nations.

5th. We will fully co operate with the national peace society of the United States, and through it with those of the world, in severing the adoption of the principle and practice of arbitration in the adjustment

of all questions and differences by all the civilized nations of the globe.

J. H. WRIGHT,
H. T. MOFFITT,
H. A ALBRIGHT,
C. MCNEIL

The report was adopted after being discussed by Revs. J. H. Wright and H. A. Albright.

The Executive committee made their report as follows, viz:

We your Executive committee, would report: That we held a meeting at Brown's Chapel, Moore county, on the 28th of last April, and licensed Bro Manley Hammer of Mt. Union church to preach the gospel as a probationer, till Conference.

Later, Bro. W. R Julian, who was appointed to deliver the annual address, was, at his request, relieved from that duty. Rev. W. R. Brown was then selected, but he being sick, Rev. J. S. Lawrence agreed to give the opening address.

Respectfully submitted.

W. W. HAYWORTH,
H. A. ALBRIGHT,
J. S. LAWRENCE.
Com.

After being discussed by Revs. W. W. Hayworth, P. H. Fleming, J. S. Lawrence, J. W. Hatch, C. C. Peel, J. W. Patton, and H. A. Albright, was adopted.

On motion, it was decided that each church and minister be requested to make their report the first day of conference.

Discussed by Revs. P· H. Fleming and C. C. Peel.

On motion the report on temperance was changed from 3rd day at 2 p. m. to 2nd day at 2 p. m. and report on Education from 2nd to 3rd day at 2 p. m.

Conference adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9 a. m.

Religious services conducted by Rev. J. W. Hatch.

SECOND DAY.

Religious exercises conducted by Rev. W. W. Lawrence.

Conference met according to adjournment, president in the chair.

Roll called, and minutes of yesterday's session read and approved.

On motion all speeches were limited to ten minutes.—C. C. Peel.

The report on foreign missions was called for and read which was as follows, viz.:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We your committee, are glad to report that we have an interest in Foreign Mission work. The Lord has promised to bless those that are faithful.

We realize that the heathen have a claim upon us. The Master said, Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.

We have missionaries in Japan that are laboring to good acceptance. God is blessing their labor. Bro. Woodworth is in charge with a band of fifteen or twenty helpers. We have several churches and a good number of preaching stations. Our churches in Japan take collections for the general work of the Christian church, and their action in the matter should urge us to greater diligence in giving them a better support. For in helping them in that far-off land we are helping ourselves.

We recommend that the churches composing this body be required to raise an amount equal to 5 cents per member.

We would call attention to the mission field of India as being especially inviting to the Christian church. It appears that there is already an organization in India very much like our church, and the people composing this body would no doubt be delighted to find Christian helpers across the sea. Let us labor for the establishment of a mission in India just as soon as possible. As a people, God has a work for us to do. Beloved, let us do that work

J. S. LAWRENCE,
P. H. FLEMING,
W. G. MURCHINSON.
Com.

The report was adopted after being discussed by Revs. J. S. Lawrence, P. H. Fleming, H. T. Moffitt, H. A. Albright, C. C. Peel, M. L. Hurley, J. A. Webster, J. H. Wright and others.

Rev. M. L. Hurley and Prof. W. P. Lawrence, of Elon College were invited to seats as deliberative members.

Report on Sunday school was as follows, viz.:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We your committee on Sunday schools report that there is a lively interest taken in the work in most of our churches and, when they are conducted properly and regularly there is great good being accomplished. There has been no annual meeting of the Sunday school convention during this year, in consequence of the division and union of a new conference.

We would recommend that a convention be held during this year and that a committee of three be appointed to arrange for time and place of said convention and to prepare and publish a program for the SUN.

L. E. BRADY,
J. N. CAGLE,
J. U. NEWMAN.
Com.

The report was adopted after being discussed by Bro. L. E. Brady, Rev. M. L. Hurley, Profs. E. L. Moffitt and W. P. Lawrence.

The chair appointed the following as a committee to re-organize the Sunday School Convention: Rev. P. H. Fleming, Bros. L. E. Brady, and J. N. Cagle.

Prof. E. L. Moffitt was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

On motion, the name of this, the Deep River Christian Conference, was changed to the Western North Carolina Christian Conference, to take effect at the adjournment of the present session.

After discussion, adopted.

Adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTER-NOON SESSION.

President in the chair.

On motion, any minister of this body visiting a sister conference be requested to bear the fraternal greetings of this body.

The chair appointed Bro. P. D. Reitzel to fill the vacancy on the home mission committee.

The following resolution was adopted, viz.:

RESOLVED, That none of the funds of this conference shall be paid out by the treasurer thereof except upon an order drawn by order of this conference upon the recommendation of the appropriate committee.

D. A. STINSON.

On motion it was decided that a committee be appointed for the purpose of having this conference incorporated.

The chair appointed on that committee: Rev. J. U. Newman, Bros. E. A. Moffitt, and J. A. Turrentine. Report on temperance was taken up which was as follows, viz.:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We your committee on Temperance would respectfully submit the following report. Temperance, "habitual moderation in regard to the indulgences of the natural appetites and passions, restrained as moderate indulgence, moderation." "Luxury should be taxed, crime should be prohibited" is an

old but honest principle in moral economy, and the time is past when moderate indulgence in the use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage can be sanctioned, by the church of Christ without yielding a criminal laxity in the moral character which should adorn the Christian profession. It is not a luxury to be taxed, we are therefore unqualifiedly opposed to any license system whereby the sale of intoxicating liquors is sought to be made legal and respectable. It is a crime to be prohibited, we therefore, believe that the church of Christ, in its individual and collective capacity, should exert all her powers to suppress a crime that is so demoralizing to society and disasterous to the present and eternal well being of the human family. Therefore be it resolved:

1st. We are unqualifiediy opposed to the use of any spirituous, vinous or malt liquors as a beverage, believing that no person can live exemplary Christian life, enjoy a Christian hope or perform Christian duties, who indulges in, or is an apologist for, even a moderate use of them.

2nd. We cannot sanction being done by others what we cannot do ourselves, we therefore believe it to be the duty of the church of Christ to use every effort possible, both by precept example and practice to suppress the traffic in intoxicating liquors.

J. H. WRIGHT.
H. F. WAY,
B. F. BROWN.

The report was adopted after discussion.

The report on religious literature was made a special order for 11 a. m. on third day.

The chair appointed Bros. T. A. Moffitt and W. P. Lawrence to aid Bro. L. I. Cox to get up money for the Annuals.

On motion, leave of absence was granted Revs. P. H. Fleming, C. C. Peel and Bros. W. K. Holt, and J. A. Turrentine for the remainder of the session.

On motion, conference shall meet at Smithwood, Wednesday after the 1st Sunday in Nov. 1895 at 10 a. m.

On motion a committee from the conference shall meet a like committee from the North Carolina and Va. Christian Conference and the Eastern N. C. Conference for a division of the surplus money after making the disbursements ordered by the N. C. & Va. Conference before the union and division.

The chair appointed on that committee, Rev. P. H. Fleming.

On motion a resolution was offered that this conference endorse the standard of education adopted at Elon College in May '92 by the General Convention. See Annual for 1893 page 13.

Discussed and adopted.

The committee on religious exercises reported that Rev. J. U. Newman would preach in the church at 7:30 this p. m.

Conference adjourned.

Prayer by Rev. M. L. Hurley.

THIRD DAY.

Conference met according to adjournment.

President in the chair.

Religious exercises conducted by Rev. H. A. Albright.

Roll called, and minutes of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

There being an objection to the church letter from Patterson's Grove, the chair appointed the following committee to investigate the matter and report to this body now in session, before its adjournment:

Rev. J. U. Newman, W. G. Murchison, E. C. Brown, committee.

The delegates from Smithwood were granted leave of absence for remainder of session.

Bro. E. A. Moffitt was unanimously elected treasurer of the Western N. C. C. Conference, receiving 1½% for receipts and 1½% for disbursements. The treasurer was required to give bond.

Bro. J. N. Cagle, the old secretary was elected as secretary for the above named couference, and is to be paid $5.00 and current expenses per annum.

The members of the churches composing the W. N. C. C. C. were assessed one cent per capita for contingent fund.

Bro. P. C. Humble was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

The delegates from Zion were granted leave of absence for the remainder of session.

The committee on religious literature made the following report, viz.:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

The greatest need of the Christian church today is the production and dissemination of literature representative and advocative of our principles and enterprises.

It is a fact much to be regretted, yet one which stares us boldly in the face, that we as a church have almost no literature. The world today learns of and judges every movement from its representative publications. This being true, need we profess surprise when others know us not, and recognize us only as an unimportant factor in the Christian warfare?

One hundred years have passed and gone since we first proclaimed to the world the great principles upon which we stand; and yet, today, in the way of religious literature, we stand little in advance of what we were then. Recognizing these facts to be true, we, your committee, therefore recommend:

1. That every Sunday school within this conference use our own Sunday school literature, published at Dayton, O.
2. That each member of the church read and endeavor to get others to read all such books as, 'Our Declaration of Principles and Form of Government. Our Five Cardinal Principles Define, "Facing the Truth.' and 'Christians not Disciples (soon to be published by Rev. M. L. Hurley).
3. That every pastor within the bounds of this conference take the CHRISTIAN SUN and make an earnest effort to get it into every home represented in in his churches and that we do all in our power to scatter the Centennial Number.
4. That we pledge ourselves to the support of every effort tending toward the increase and betterment of our church literature.

Respectfully submitted,

E. L. MOFFITT,
JAS. W. WEBSTER,
C. C. PEEL.
Com.

Adopted after discussion.

Conference adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President in the chair.

On motion the report on home missions was taken up which was as follows, viz.:

Your committee on Home Missions beg leave to report. That the cause of missions is gradually taking a deeper hold upon the hearts of our people. We recommend that we put forth greater efforts in this direction.

A greater development of the missionary spirit in all of our churches would be a most gratifying fact in our present history.

We recommend The Home Mission committee to assist the ministers and churches in arranging their work if not previously arranged. We recommend the present plan of assessing each Church. Assesments same as last year.

We recommend that twenty five dollars be appropriated to aid in securing a pastor at the mission at Graham, N. C.

We recommend five dollars be paid to Liberty church to aid them in securing a pastor for next year. We recomend that all possible effort be put forth to supply all our churches with pastors for the ensuing year.

J. S. LAWRENCE
W. W. HAYWORTH,
P. D. REITZEL,
J. W. BATTON.

It was adopted after being discussed and amended.

The committee appointed by the chair to investigate the church letter at Patterson's Grove made the following report, viz.:

We your committee to whom was referred the case of the contested delegates from Patterson's Grove church submit. That the evidence before us shows that Bros. J. W. Ellison and D. D. Patterson are the legal delegates.

J. U NEWMAN,
W. G. MURCHINSON.
E. C. BROWN.

Adopted.

The committee on education made their report as follows, viz.:

SEC. I. We your Committee on Education beg leave to report the following: That the following, brethren were before us, namely: L. I. Cox, S. T. Moffitt, H. F. Way. Thomas H.Phillips, A. D. Hamilton, and R. F. Johnson. After ex-amination had, we recommend that they be admitted into the Biblical class of Conference, that they continue therein this year, that they study the Word, and exercise their gifts on all proper occasions.

SEC. II. Also, brother M. E. Hammer, and J. W. Parkerwere before us, and we examined them upon their religious experience, call to the ministry and form Government of the Christian church.

We, therefore recommend that brother M. E. Hammer be licensed to preach the gospel of Christ as a probationer wherever the providence ofGod, may call him.

And we further recommend that brother J. W. Parker be ordained to the office of an Elder in this Conference.

SEC. III. And we would also call attention of our people to the various schools of our denomination, Elon College is established in our midst, and stands abreast with times. We recommend especially, that all who are looking forward to the gospel ministry attend this school, and seize the opportunities as they pass by.

H. A. ALBRIGHT,
W. W. HAYWORTH,
J. S. LAWRENCE,
Com.

The chairman being one of the committee refused to sign it. The report was taken up by items and after being amended and discussed was adopted as amended.

Whereas, Rev. J. R. Comer, two years ago, was recommended by the educational committee for ordination and said recommendation ratified by that conference, but by his request the ordination was deferred, but not by his request, he with Rev.J. W. Parker receive ordination to-morrow (Sunday) at 10:30 a. m.

The treasurer made the following report, and after being submitted to the finance committee and found to be correct, was adopted:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

E. A. Moffitt, Treasurer in account with
The Deep River Christian Conference.

HOME MISSIONS.

1894.			
Nov. 1.	To Balance on hand		$19.99
Nov. 10.	Collections at Conference		66.08
Nov. 10.	On hand		$85.07

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

	To Balance on hand		$58 78
Nov. 10.	Collections at Conference		$47.74
			106.52

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

Nov. 10.	To Balance on hand cash		$8.00
	To 1 note J. R. Comer		22.20
	Collected at Conference		19.04
			$49.24

CHURCH EXTENSION.

Nov. 10.	Collected at Conference.		$14.28

CONFRENCE FUND.

1894.			
Nov. 10.	Collected at Conference		$6.26
Nov. 10.	By paid J N. Cagle	$5.30	
	Balance in hand	96	
		$6 26	

Respectfully submitted,
E. A. MOFFITT, Treas.

The Christian church at Ramseur, N. C., petitioned admission into this conference. Petition granted.

Rev. W. W. Hayworth was granted time to give a farewell talk to the D. R. Conference as he aims to leave this state on the 28th inst., and move to Texas. Con-

ference was called to prayer in his behalf.

The chair appointed the following as an ordaining presbytery: Revs. H. A. Albright, J. S. Lawrence, W. W. Hayworth.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Peace and Arbitration, report 1st day p. m.: Revs. P. T. Way, J. H. Wright and P. D. Reitzel.

Executive, 1st day 2 p. m.:—Revs. P. H. Fleming, H. A. Albright, J. A. Turrentine, and W. P. Lawrence.

Sunday schools, 2nd day 11 a. m,:—Revs. J. S. Lawrence, J. W. Hatch, Bro. L. E. Brady.

Temperance, 2nd day 1 p. m.:—Revs. H. A. Albright, J. H. Wright, Bro. L. I. Cox.

Foreign Missions, 2nd day 2 p. m.:—Prof. E. L, Moffitt, Revs. J. S. Lawrence, P. H. Fleming.

Education, 3rd day 11 a. m.—Revs. J. U. Newman, H. A. Albright, C. C. Peel, Prof. W. P. Lawrence.

Religious Literature, 3rd day 1 p. m.:—Profs. W. P. Lawrence, E. L. Moffitt, and Rev. J. H. Wright.

Home Missions 3rd day 2 p. m.:—Rev. C. C. Peel, Bro. E. A. Moffitt; Revs. J. W. Hatch, P. T. Way.

Finance:—Rev. P. H. Fleming, Bro. J. N. Cagle, Bro. J. A. Turrentine.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

Pastors.	Churches	Conversions	Accessions	Baptised	Funeral Services	Marriages	Sermons	Praper Meetings	Pastoral Visits	Amount of Salary
H. A. Albright	1		3	5			30			$10 25
w. R. Brown,	1		24	1		5	24			
P. H. Fleming,	2				7	3	92		200	24 00
W. W. Hayworth,	3		24	15						
J. w. Hatch,					2	1				
E. H. Jarrell,	2	40					80			40 50
J. S. Lawrence,			2	3			24			16 50
w. w. Lawrence,						1	20			
J. U. Newman,	3	45	63		6	4	120	40	225	400 00
C. C. Peel,	4	71	39	27			100		163	375 00
J. W. Patton,							15			
S. H. way,			21	15	3	4	6			68 47
w. H. Roach,	2		8	11		2				
J. A. webster.	4									

On motion the secretary was instructed to draw on the treasurer for the amount of foreign mission fund now on

hand and send the same to Bro. J. A. Mills, Raleigh, N. C.

On motion the secretary was instructed to draw on the treasurer for the amount due him.

A vote of thanks was tendered the church at Shiloh and community for so pleasantly entertaining this conference during its present session.

Committee on religious exercises reported Rev. P. T. Way to preach at 7 p. m. to-day and Rev. J. U. Newman at 11 a. m. to-morrow (Sunday).

Conference adjourned to meet at Smithwood, Guilford Co., N. C., Wednesday before the 2nd Sunday in Nov. 1895 at 10 a. m.

Prayer by Rev. W. W. Hayworth.

J. N. CAGLE, Sec. J. W. PATTON, Pres.
Brown's Store, N. C. Liberty, N. C.
C. C. PEEL, Asst. Sec.
Burlington, N. C.

ASSESSMENTS.

	Home.	Foreign.	Con. Fu'
Antioch (R.)	$ 2.00	$ 1.45	$ .29
Asheboro,	4.00	1.10	.22
Antioch (C.)	5.00	4.00	.80
Brown's Chapel,	3.00	6.40	1.28
Big Oak,	5.00	3.75	.75
Burlington,	8.00	6.40	1.28
Christian Union,	2.00	4.20	.84
Clover Orchard,	5.00	4.15	.83
Center Grove,	4.00	2.10	.42
Egypt,	3.00	2.35	.47
Graham,	1.00		
Grace's Chapel,	5.00	4.30	.86
High Point,	10.00	3.60	.72
Hank's Chapel,	12.00	7.05	1.41
Keyser,	5.00		
Liberty,	4.00	1.70	.34
Macedonia,	1.00	1.40	.28
Mt. Union,	2.00	2.90	.58
New Center,	5.00	4.60	.92
New Bear Creek,		.25	.05
New Providence,	25.00	11.45	2.29
Park's X Roads,	7.00	5.55	1.11
Pleasant Grove,	6.00	10.65	2.13
Patterson's Grove,	3.00	2.90	.58
Pleasant Cross,	.50	1.60	.32
Pleasant Ridge,	6.00	6.50	1.30
Pleasant Union,	1.00	1.55	.31
Pleasant Hill,	10.00	5.85	1.17
Poplar Branch,	5.00	2.00	.32
Phillips Chapel,	1.00	2.90	.28
Shiloh,	6.00	8.40	1.68
Smithwood,	5.00	4.10	.82
Spoon's Chapel,	1.00	1.40	.28
Shady Grove,	5.00	4.65	.93
St. John's,	1.00	.75	.15
Staley's,			
Union Grove,	5.00	4.30	.86
Winder,	2.00	1.95	.39
Zion,	10.00	10.90	2.18

Churches.	Pastors.	Secre'ys, their Post Offices.	Pres. Mem'ship.	No. R'p'd last Ses.	Received Since	Dismissed.	withdrawn.	Died.	Suspended.	Expelled.	Amt. P'd. Pastor.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education	Church Ext'sion.	Contingent Fund.	Other Purposes.	Total Amount.	Val Chur. Pr'p'y.	No. S. S.	No. Offi. and Tea.	No. Pupils.	Raised by S. S.
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Shiloh	w w Hayworth	B S Moffitt, Moffitts Mills	168	152	17	1					6 00	4 93	4 93				5 00	20 86	500	1	7	50	
Smithwood	J w Patton	Helen Reitzel, Pl's'nt Lodge	82	70	12						46 25		1 21				8 96	56 42	500	1	5	50	
Spoon's Chapel	B F Kearns	G H Kenney, Asheboro	28	14	14		1			1	12 35	25	1 15				60 00	73 75	100	1	8	65	
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Proceedings

OF THE

N. C. & VA. CONFERENCE,

IN ITS

Sixty-Ninth Annual Session.

BETHELEM CHRISTIAN CHURCH,
TUESDAY, NOV., 20th, 1894.

The N. C. & Va. Christian Conference was called to order at the above named church to-day by Rev. S. Apple at 11 a. m. Romans xii chapter was read and prayers by Revs. S. Apple and J. W. Wellons.

The roll of ministry was called with the following result:

ELDERS: S. Apple, J. W. Wellons, W. S. Long, W. T. Herndon, J. W. Holt, A. F. Iseley, P. T. Klapp. T. B. Dawson, J. O. Atkinson, S. B. Klapp.

LICENTIATES: J. S. Carden.

The churches were represented by delegates as followers:

Apples Chapel: Alfred Apple, D. E. Michael; Bethlehem: I. N. W. Garrison, A. D. Madren, A. T. Gilliam, H. V. Simpson; Bethel: J. S. Rascoe; Concord: Daniel Garrison, James Jackson; Durham: Miss Jennie Canada, T. R. Dickerson; Elon College: S. A. Holleman, Willie Tickle; Goshen Chapel:——; Hines Chapel: L. M. Waynich, P. W. Iseley, Miss C. E. Iseley; Happy Home: W. D. Wall, P. P. Foster; Howard's Chapel: R. S. Smith, W. B. Madison; Kallum Grove: J. H. McBride; Ingram: J. O. Dunn; Hebron:——; Lebanon:——; Longs Chapel, W. J. Fitch, L. W. Allen; Mt. Bethel: T. W.

Price, J. M. Simpson; Mt. Zion: J. E. King; Pleasant Grove, Va.: Mrs. H. T. Headspeth, J. T. Ferrell; Salem Chapel: J. A. Strader, Nancy B. Strader; Sage Garden: W. T. Holder; Union, N. C.: J. D. Wilkins, J. W. Gilliam, Dr. G. S. Watson; Mt. Pisgah:——; Belews Creek: Z. V. Strader, T. J. Preston; Lexington: W. G. Marks; Pleasant Ridge: L. C. Huffins; Union, Va.: Mrs. M. L. Klapp; Shallow Ford: W. C. Michael, G. D. Cobb.

A quorum being present the conference proceeded to the election of officers which resulted as follows:

For President, Rev. S. Apple; standing Secretary Rev. J. W. Holt. S. A. Holleman was chosen Assistant Secretary.

On motion the secretary was ordered to enroll all the ministers within the bounds of conference according to the action of the General Convention.

On motion Rev. J. W. Wellons was elected treasurer of the conference.

Rev. J. O. Atkinson then delivered the Annual sermon before the conference. Text, Matt. VI-33.

On motion conference took a recess for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President.

Vacancies in standing committees were filled by the following appointments:

Education: Rev. P. T. Klapp.

Sunday Schools: S. A. Holleman, Harrison Simpson.

Temperance: Rev. A. F. Iseley.

Church Extension: Dr. G. S. Watson.

A letter of transfer was granted to Rev. W. C. Wicker to the Eastern N. C. Christian Conference.

Church letters were called for and read.

Bro. B. F. Black fraternal messenger from the Valley Virginia Christian Conference, and Rev. C. C. Peel fraternal messenger from the Western N. C. Christian conference were invited to seats as deliberative members. These brethren responded in words of Christian greeting.

On motion 2 o'clock P. M. to-morrow was made a special order to hear propositions and papers relative to Christian union.

On motion conference adjourned to meet at 9:30 to-morrow morning.

SECOND DAY, NOV. 21, 1894.

Conference called to order by the President.

The following corrected roll of ministers was called:

ELDERS: P. W. Allen, J. O. Atkinson, T. B. Dawson, H. C. Fulton, P. T. Klapp, S. B. Klapp, W. S. Long, J. W. Pinnix, T. W. Strowd, J. W. Wellons, S. Apple, W. T. Herndon, J. W. Holt, A. F. Isley.

Licentiates: J. W. Fonville, J. S. Carden, H. L. Hines.

Roll of delegates called and minutes of first day's session read and approved.

On motion Bro. Harrison Simpson was appointed to receive subscriptions to the Christian Annual.

The committee on Temperance submitted their report which was discussed by Bro. B. F. Black, Revs. W. S. Long, J. W. Pinnix, W. T. Herndon, S. B. Klapp.

Pending the discussion the report was made special order for to-morrow at 9:30 a. m.

Rev. W. D. Harward of the Eastern N. C. Christian conference, and Rev. W. W. Staley of the Eastern Va. Christian conference were invited to seats as deliberative members.

On motion the report on Religious Literature was made special order for 11 o'clock a. m. to-morrow.

On motion conference adjourned for preaching by Rev. W. W. Staley of Suffolk, Va. Subject, The Healing of the Paralytic.

On motion Rev. J. L. Michaux of the N. C. Conference M. P. church was invited to a seat in conference.

On motion conference took a recess of one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President.

The report on Foreign Missions was made special order for 3:30 to-day.

Special order of Christian Union then taken up.

Pending the discussion of Resolutions on co-operative union with the M. P. Conference of N. C. offered by by W. S. Long, Rev. P. H. Fleming of the Western, N. C. Christian conference and M. L. Hurley of the Eastern Va. Christian conference were invited to seats as fraternal messengers.

The Resolutions on Union were further discussed by Rev. J. L. Michaux, W. W. Staley, J. W. Wellons and adopted as follows:

Whereas the desire for Christian Union is seen and felt by the church of God as never before since the Reformation. This desire being indicated by the proceedings of various religious bodies in their conferences, conventions and others convocations, as well as missionaries both domestic and foreign, and whereas the Scriptures teach and enjoin the oneness of God's people, and our Divine Lord prayed for the unity of his followers and for the perpetuity of the same, and whereas, from time to time, the subject of the union has been considered by the N. C. & Va. Christian Conference and the Methodist Protestant conference of N. C. through commissioners duly appointed by these bodies, and in other ways, and whereas there appears to be at this time a renewal and a stronger desire for the consummation of a union between the bodies afore mentioned.

Therefore, Resolved 1st. That we appoint five commissioners to meet a like number appointed by the Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant church of N. C. now in session in Asheboro, N C., who shall be charged with the duty of meeting said commissioners of the M. P. Church at some place agreed upon by the commissioners of the two bodies, themselves, and, if practicable, arranging terms of co-operative or organic union, and report their action to their respective bodies: the commissioners of their body to the Executive committee of the same,

2nd. That in the event said commissioners should agree to form either a a co-operative or an organic union, then it shall be the duty of the Executive committee of this conference to present the matter as soon as they can to the local churches for ratification.

3rd. That we invite the Eastern and the Western Christian Conferences of this State to join us in this effort to unify the bodies afore mentioned.

W. S. LONG.

Revs. W. S. Long, J. W. Wellons, W. T. Herndon, J. W. Holt and T. W. Strowd were appointed commissioners in compliance with the foregoing resolutions.

On motion conference appointed Revs. W. S. Long, and J. W. Wellons fraternal messengers to the M. P. Conference now in session at Ashboro, N. C.

On motion conference appointed Rev. T. W. Strowd and Bro. S. A. Holleman and and Dr. G. S. Watson to wait on J. A. Long and get a 25% dividend from a fund in the Big Falls cotton mills, and recommend to what fund it should be applied.

Special order taken up, discussed, and adopted as follows:

PARTIAL REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The heathen has a claim upon the church of the Lord Jesus Christ, and as we represent a branch of His church, we are not exempt from this claim. We are commanded by the Word of God to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. Unless this command is obeyed we are not exempt and the sin of such omission must be laid at our door. Abstaining from a duty or shifting a responsibility does not away with the sin upon us. If we are a part of thechurch militant of God we have the claim of the heathen upon us and we cannot shift it.

Japan, where, so far, our work amongst the heathen nations has been confined, claims our attention especially, for the following considerations

1. Japan is anxious for truth. There is an awakening amongst the Japanese, intellectually and religiously such as is not found in any other foreign or heathen country. The popular mind in Japan is aroused to new and higher truths as possibly never before in her history.

2. Japan, as a people, are rational and conservative, yet fully sensible to her defects in many matters which pertain to her common welfare but to none more than to her religious interests. She as a nation and a people, individually, and collectively, is ready and anxious to accept a religion which she can be brought to see is better for her than her own. This is our duty to show. What is needed is more bright, intelligent, consecrated men and women to go to Japan and carry the blessed truths of the gospel in their fullness. But these cannot go unless they be sent. We must give more, we must increase our efforts in this direction, or the lost souls of this anxious people will cry against us at the judgment.

3. From our knowledge of the Japanese and their thought, the Christian church as a denomination has a special duty to perform in their behalf. The Japanese is broad in his views, liberal in his iedas and inclusive in his beliefs. What he desires is truth in its purest, fullest and most undefiled sense.

For the petty warfare of denominationalism and sectarianism as held in many sections of our own country he has the utmost contempt and most thorough disdain. What he desires is the living truths of the gospel, not the petty creeds of theologians and would be philosophers.

P. T. KLAPP,
J. O. ATKINSON,
Com.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We find that most of our churches have Sabbath schools in fairly good condition. The reports to this conference show $214.17 collected by the schools. They also show twenty Sabbath schools with an average membership of 50.

We also find an increase of our literature which is very gratifying indeed.

We desire to urge the importance of the meeting of the N. C. & Va. Christian Sunday School Convention during the coming year.

We recommend as follows:

1st. That all schools in this conference use our own literature published at Dayton Ohio, and take steps to secure a well selected library wherever possible.

2nd. That all teachers be requested to provide themselves with a copy of Peloubets Select Notes on the Sunday school lessons.

3rd. That penny collections be promptly attended to, in order that the young may be trained in systematic giving.

4th. That schools in this conference confer with Prof. J. H. Moring, Mor-

risville, N. C., when in need of suitable song books and accept his suggestions.

5th. That each Sabbath school appoint a suitable person to look after mission points and report the same to this body.

Respectfully submitted.

J. W. FONVILLE,
S. A. HOLLEMAN,
H. V. SIMPSON,
Com.

An account with Hurley and Moffitt for printing church blanks and ministerial reports was referred to a finance committee consisting of S. A. Holleman, J. P. Ferrell, T. W. Stroud.

On motion the expenses of fraternal messengers to the M. P. Conference at Ashboro, N. C., were ordered to be paid from the conference fund.

The finance committee was instructed to call upon the former treasurer of this body for a settlement, and to co-operate with the represenatives of the Eastern and Western N. C. Christian Conferences in such settlement.

On motion conference adjourned. Prayer by Rev. T. W. Strowd.

THIRD DAY.

Conference called to order by the President.

Religious exercises by Rev. J. W. Pinnix.

Proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

Rev. W. S. Long offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That all speeches be limited to ten minutes, and that no one be allowed to speak more than once on any subject, except by consent of the body.

The special order was taken up and discussed and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE AND MORAL REFORM.

Intemperance and immorality are foes that are cursing humanity. Any church that is not a temperance church is not in a good healthy condition.

Resolved 1st, That it is wrong to build churches to teach men the way of life, and at the same time license shops to lead them into the way of death.

2nd. That it is wrong to license a man to sell that which will make a man drunk, and then punish a man for being drunk.

3rd. That it is wrong to license shops to make paupers and then tax sober men to take care of them.

4th. That it is wrong to license a saloon to teach vice and them tax the people for schools to teach virtue.

5th. That it is wrong to derive revenue from a traffic which means the sacrifice of men's lives.

6th. That it is wrong to teach your boy not to drink, and then vote to license a place where he may be taught to drink.

7th. That it is wrong to preach justice and charity, and to take care of your own boy, and then to vote to license a place to ruin your neighbor's boy, and rob poor women, children, and orphans of food, clothing, and shelter.

8th. That it is wrong to teach a boy honesty and virtue, and then vote to license a place where he may be taught to gamble and to gratify the worst of inflamed passions.

9th. We recommend and heartily endorse the teaching of temperance in our schools.

10th. We condemn tattling, malice, the use of tobacco, and immorality of every kind.

11th. We condemn the running of trains, livery stable business, and all secular business on Sunday.

T. W. STROWD, Com.

On motion Rev. J. L. Foster and E. L. Moffitt from the Eastern N. C. Christian conference were invited to seats as deliberative members.

The special order, the report on Religious Literature, was taken up, discussed by Bros. E. L. Moffitt, S. A. Holleman, Rev. M. L. Hurley and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We, your committee on Religious Liierature beg leave to submit the following report.

We recognize that this is an age of literary progress and mental development. No man can keep abreast of the times and in touch with the spirit of this age unless he reads and reads much. The secular press recognize this and our country is flooded with literature. In this flood-tide there is much of evil as well as some good thought afloat. What we read makes for us a picture in our "mental art gallery" for contemplation and reflection. Imperfect pictures make an imperfect art gallery, and imperfect literature begets imperfect thoughts, weak ide s and debilitated characters. We should select therefore with care what we will read and what we will place in our homes for our children and associates to read. This is the mental provender of our homes and none other than the purest, cleanest and best should be used.

The religious press in general is a mighty power for good in the land and should receive our support and prayers.

We recommend that the CHRISTIAN SUN, our church organ, published at Raleigh, N. C., by Prof. E. L. Moffitt, A. M., and Rev. M. L. Hurley, be endorsed by this Conference and that a strenuous effort be made by ministers and laymen to get this paper in eveay home represented in this Conference. We are aware that recently additional expenses have been incurred by this enterprise by the owners and publishers and that we have now an editor and a traveling agent instead of one man acting in both capacities as heretofore and to meet this additional expense and to sustain and encourage the present management, which we deem most efficient, that we use all available means to increase the circulation of the paper and thus incrcase the usefulness to which we deem it well fitted and capacitated.

We recommend also The Herald of Gospel Liberty published at Dayton, Ohio, and owned by the American Christian Convention, as well worthy a place in our homes, churches and libraries.

We also highly recommend "The Christian Missionary," a monthly magazine published by order of the A. C. C. and under the editorial management of J. G. Bishop, devoted to home and foreign missionary interests. This magazine is only 50 cents per annum and furnishes a valuable store of information on a most interesting topic—missions.

We highly recommend and endorse the Sunday school literature published by the Christian Publishing House Dayton Ohio.

Respectfully submitted,

J. O. ATKINSON,
G. S. WATSON,
S. A. HOLLEMAN.
Com.

Conference adjourned for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President.

Standing committees were announced by the President as follows:

Education: W. S. Long, P. T. Klapp, J. O. Atkinson.

Home Missions:—J. W. Holt, P. T. Klapp, W. T. Herndon.

Foreign Missions:—P. T. Klapp, J. O. Atkinson, T. B. Dawson.

Temperance: S. B. Klapp, A. F. Iseley, S. A. Holleman.

Sunday Schools: A. F. Iseley, J. W. Pinnix, T. B. Dawson.

Religious Literature: J. O. Atkinson, S. A. Holleman, P. T. Klapp.

Executive Committee: J. W. Wellons, J. W. Holt, W. T. Herndon.

The following report was adopted.

The Executive Committee appointed by the General Convention at Norfolk, Va., last May met at Elon College, June 27th and made the following appointments: Rev. J. O. Atkinson to deliver the Annual address and Rev. W. C. Wicker his alternate and secretary of conference.

Committee on Education: Revs. W. S. Long, J. W. Wellons, W. T. Herndon, J. O. Atkinson, W. C. Wicker.

Sunday Schools: Revs. W. C. Wicksr, J. W. Fonville, H. C. Fulton. C. C. Williams and Bro. W. J. Graham.

Temperance: Revs. T. W. Strowd, H. L. Hines, P. W. Allen. and Bro. R. D Thompson.

Home Missions: Revs. J. W. Holt, T. B. Dawson, Sol. Apple and Bro. Wm. McCauley.

Foreign Missions: Revs. P. T. Klapp, J. O. Atkinson and Bros. C. Pritchet and H. C. King.

Church Extension, Revs. S. B. Klapp, A. F Iseley, Dr. G. W. Kernodle.

Religious Literature: Revs. J. O. Atkinson, J. W. Pinnix, Prof. S. A. Holleman, Dr. G. S. Watson.

J. W. WELLONS,
P. T. KLAPP,
W. T. KERNDON,
Com.

The Committee on Home Missions submitted their report.

We find the territory under our supervision very much reduced by the division of the conferences since our last annual meeting, but enough yet remains to give us as much to do as we are able. The success attending our efforts in the Home Mission field for the past twenty-five years has been highly gratifying in many respects. The smaller area left us should be the more thoroughly occupied.

Rev. J. W. Wellons has had charge of Durham, N. C., the past year. He reports the work progressing slowly. They ask for aid next year. We recommend an appropriation of one hundred dollars to Durham.

Goshen Chapel asks for assistance for next year with Rev. S. B. Klapp in charge.

We have had no information in regard to the work in East Durham, N. C.

We recommend quarterly reports and orders for funds to be made upon the arrangement as last year.

We recommend the following assessments for Home Missions:

Apples' Chapel, $15.00; Bethlehem, $30.00; Bethel, $4.00; Concord, $4.00; Durham, $5.00; Elon College, $13.50; Goshen Chapel, $4.00; Hines Chapel, $12; Happy Home $4; Howard's Chapel, $6; Kallum Grove, $4; Ingram, $8; Hebron, $9; Long's Chapel, $15; Mt. Bethel, $8; Mt. Zion, $4 50; Pleasant Grove (Va.) $25; Salem Chapel, $8; Sage Garden, $4; Union (N. C.) $22.50; Belews Creek, $1; Lexington, $1; Pleasant Ridge, $4; Union (Va) $10; Shallow Ford, $6; Lebanon, $10.

S. APPLE,
J. W. HOLT,
WM. MCCAULEY,
Com.

The report was discussed by J. W. Holt, J. W. Wellons, W. T. Herndon and adopted.

On motion the Chairman of the Committee on Home Missions was instructed to visit Goshen Chapel and, if in his judgment, the outlook shall justify it, he shall bring the matter before his committee and they may recommend to the Executive committee an appropriation to that point.

The following motion prevailed: That after a settlement with the former treasurer of this body, if there shall come into the hands of our present treasurer as much as fifty dollars of Home Mission funds, the committee on Home

Missions shall appropriate fifty dollars additional to Durham, N. C.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That this conference petition the mission board of the American Christian Convention to aid in the support of the pastor of the Durham church, and that the secretary of this conference be instructed to report this request to said board.

Conference adopted the following:

Resolved. That The Elon College Monthly is worthy the position it holds in the college, and that this body recommend its hearty endorsement to the church.

S. A. HOLLEMAN.

Rev. J. W. Wellons resigned the office of treasurer of this body, and Rev. T. W. Strowd was elected to fill the vacancy.

The commitee on Finance reported the following which was adopted.

We your committee on Finance beg leave to submit the following report.

We accept report of Treasurer showing the following amounts collected at this conference.

Home Missions	$166.89
Foreign Missions	114.21
Education of Young Ministers	62.60
Church Extension	53.81
Conference Fund	19 82
	$417.33

This is all as he is a new officer and has no balance from a former report. He has paid no order.

We recommend that he at once provide himself with suitable stubs and books for his business and draw for same upon Conference Fund.

We recommend that a committee of one from this body be appointed whose duty it shall be to meet a like committee from the Western N. C., and Eastern N. C Christian Conferences and jointly distribute any surplus funds in the hands of the former treasurer.

We recommend the payment of Hurley & Moffitt acct. of $1.31 for printing.

We also recommend the payment of J. L. Foster's acct. of $3.11 for stationery be paid by former treasurer before apportionment is made.

We recommend that the treasurer secure all the papers of value bearing name of this conference now in the hands of the former treasurer. Further that all books be requested from former treasurer and be delivered to treasurer of this body.

We recommend that a justified bond of one thousand dollars be required of our Treasurer and filed with secretary's record.

S. A. HOLLEMAN,
T. W. STROWD,
J. P. FERRELL,
Com.

Committee on Education submitted their report which was discussed by Rev. W. T. Herndon, Prof. S. A. Holleman, Revs. P. T. Klapp, W. S. Long and adopted as follows:

The subject of education has engaged the attention of our people within the last few years more than at any period of our history. Greater efforts have been put forth, and greater sacrifices have made by many of our number in order to provide for this want in our church than we have ever done for any other enterprise we have ever projected. The results have been very gratifying. We have a college that enjoys a large patronage and commands the respect and confidence of other similar institutions and the public.

while the success of the college has given inspiration and encouragement to all departments of our work yet there is much to be done in the way of sustaining the institution and enlarging its usefulness. Many parents seem indifferent and careless about the training of their children. Some take purely a mercenary view of the subject. while others seem unwilling to make the sacrifice necessary to meet this great need. Ignorance is blight, weakness, inefficiency. There is no material progress nor can there be moral and religious advancement where it dominates. Knowing these things things to be true it becomes our duty to instruct and arouse our people to a proper sense of their responsibility in relation to this subject.

Bros. G. w Tickle and G. C. wadford, members of the Biblical class, and students of Elon College, came before us for consultation. They are doing well in their studies and we have advised them to pursue their work until they become well prepared to enter the ministry. Bro. J. S. Garden of Orange Co., N. C., also a member of this class came for instruction and expressed a desire to enter college. We are not able to help him pecuniarily because there is so small a sum of money available.

Bro. Alfred Apple of Apples Chapel and Bro. James O. Dunn of Ingram, Va., have been examined in reference to their religious experience and call to the ministry and have been admitted to the Biblical class.

1st. we recommend that the matter of raising a fund for the education of yonng men preparing for the ministry be urged upon the attention of our people.

2nd. That the churches be assessed for this purpose the same amounts as they were last year.

3rd. That all candidates for the ministry whether members, of the Biblical class or licentiates, shall be required to appear annually before this committee for examination.

W. S. LONG,
J. W. WELLONS,
W. T. HERNDON,
Com.

An acct. in favor of Rev. J. L. Foster was referred to the Committee on finance.

Rev. J. W. Wellons resigned as treasurer and Rev. T. W. Strowd was elected to fill the vacancy.

The committee on Church Extension submitted their report.

Pending the discussion of the report conference adjourned until 9:30 to-morrow. Prayer by Rev. W. S. Long.

FOURTH DAY.

Conference called to order by the President.

Religious services by the secretary.

Proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

On motion Rev. J. U. Newman of the Western N. C. Christian Conference was invited to a seat in conference as fraternal messenger.

The report of the committee on church extension pending at the close of yesterday's session, was taken up and further discussed and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON CHURCH EXTENSION.

We your committee wish to call your very special attention to the importance of church extension. This enterprise is of no narrow limit. We must have houses in which to worship God. Our church buildings should be the best of all buildings, as we should honor God with the first fruits, and labors of our hands. We find several places where we could soon have good churches if we could aid them in the building of their house of worship.

1. We recommend that a very special effort be made in this direction next year.

2. We recommend that the churches pay 3 cents per member for church extension the ensuing year

3. We recommend the appropriation of $25.00 to Goshen Chapel.

4. We recommend that the above amount be made payable to the pastor of said church to aid in their work of building.

5. That the needs and condition of the mission point at Lexington, N. C., be put into the hands of the committee on home missions, and that this committee be directed to do whatever in their judgment may seem best; and whatever expenses may be incurred by their action be allowed by this conference.

S. B. KLAPP,
A. F. ISELEY,
G. S. WATSON,
Com.

On motion the president appointed Rev. S. B. Klapp, and Bros. H. V. Simpson and J. E. King a committee on memoirs.

On motion conferences decided that the work of the committee on church extension should be placed in the hands of the committee on Home Missions, and the committee on Church Extension should be dispensed with for the present.

Ministerial reports were called for and read.

The committee on Foreign Missions, submitted their final report which was adopted as follows:

THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

During the past seven years we have sent nine missionaries to Japan, hence the necessity for more money. Be it therefore,

Resolved 1st. That the ministers of this conference be required to make special efforts to raise the amount that each of his churches is assessed.

2. That each church be requested to pay not less than the amounts asked for by the following assessment: (See table of assessments.)

The following placed upon the table by Rev. W. S. Long was adopted after some discussion.

Whereas, It is the duty of every pastor to take the oversight of all matters of church work, and whereas, it appears that some pastors are inclined to excuse themselves from some of the calls made by this body, and whereas some of the churches fail from time to time to comply with the requirements of this conference in failing to raise the amounts asked for by this conference; and whereas, other churches from time to time bring up the full amounts of the assessments made by this body, therefore,

Resolved, That where churches fail to respond in full amount to the calls of this conference that the various pastors be required to make written excuse to this body for all such failures.

The following offered by Rev. W. T. Herndon was adopted:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to apportion the number of Annuals to be sent to each church in the N. C. & Va. Christian Conference and that churches that have sent in contributions be credited with same for Annuals, and all Annuals to be sold and the proceeds of same to be turned over to the treasurer of the N. C. & Va. Christian Conference, and that the funds now in hands of conference for Annuals be paid to the treasurer, and an order be drawn on him for $40.00 from the home mission fund to pay for the printing of the Annuals.

The President appointed Revs. W. T. Herndon, P. T. Klapp, and Bro. S. A. Holleman as committee in compliance with the foregoing resolution.

The committee on Memoirs submitted the following report:

REPORT ON MEMOIRS.

Since our last annual conference death has taken from our ranks Rev. Robt. G. Tinnin. In Sept. last he went from labor to reward. He died in the triumphs of living faith. He was a preacher of ability in his day and intimately associated with the distinguished Wellons in his ear ier life.

Resolved, 1st, That while we sincerely mourn the loss of our dear, beloved brother, yet we bow submissively to the will of our heavenly Father.

2nd. That we will ever cherish with fondest recollections, the memory of this dear, departed brother.

S B. KLAPP,
H. V. SIMPSON,
J. E. KING,
Com.

The report was feelingly discussed by Revs. S. Apple, W. T. Herndon, S. B. Klapp, and Bros. J. E. King, and A. D. Madren and adopted.

The report of the executive committee was received and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The executive committee appointed at the last session of the N. C & Va. Christian Conference at Shal ow Well, in Nov. 1893, report:

The church at Keyser and Rev. P. T. way were left in the hands of the executive committee to investigate the matter existing between them; but failed to do so. Rev. P. T. way stated the matter would all be settled between them.

The committee ordered the publishing of the minutes in the Annual and the work was done by C'ements & Mood at the CHRISTIAN SUN office and there was $20.00 necessary to finish the payment on the Annuals and the chairman gave Clements and Mood a draft on the treasurer, Rev. J. w. Hatch, for that amount.

we requested the treasurer Rev. J. w. Hatch, as one of his securities was dead, to strengthen his bond but we never could find his note and the matter was never attended to, but the treasurer was ready at any time to comply with our request.

The committee appointed Rev. w. T. Herndon and Bro. w. J. Graham delegates to the General Convention that met at Norfolk, Va., last May in the place of others who notified the committee that they would not be able to attend.

About the first of October the chairman of the committee received a letter from Rev. w. H. Roach asking for a certificate of his standing that would admit him into membership with some other denomination if he decided to do so. It was a mat.er of doubt in the minds of the committee as to their legal right to do so, but finally decided to do so and the chairman furnished him with the certificate, but has not heard from him since whether he left or not.

The chairman of the committee sold the church building and lands of Palmyra church in Rockingham county, N. C , to the Baptists for $50.00 and now has in bank $48.50 subject to the order of the conference and recommend that the name of the church be dropped from the list of the churches

Respectfully submitt d,
J. W. WELLONS, Chairman Ex. Com.
of the old N. C. & Va. Christian Conference.

The report was adopted.

Moved and carried that the funds received from the sale of Palmyra church be turned over to the treasurer of this conference to be applied to the home mission fund.

On motion conference went into the selection of a place for holding the next annual session, Long's Chapel was chosen.

Rev. P. T. Klapp was chosen to deliver the next Annual sermon with Rev. J. W. Holt as his alternate.

On motion conference appropriated twenty-five dollars to the secretary for expenses and services in his office the ensuing year.

A letter from Rev. D. A. Long of Yellow Springs, Ohio, asking for enrollment as a member of this conference was read, and on motion the letter and the correspondence referred to the Executive Committee for investigation and report next year.

On motion any member of this conference who may be able to attend other conferences of our own and other denominations be authorized to bear fraternal greetings of this body.

Moved that orders be drawn on the treasurer of conference for the several amounts appropriated by action of this conference. Carried.

Moved that the treasurer of this conference be instructed to forward all money in his hands for Foreign Missions above his commission to J. A. Mills treasurer of the General Convention.

The following was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That this conference tender this church and entire community its hearty appreciation and thanks for their kind hospitality shown us while in their midst.

Rev. P. T. Klapp was appointed to represent this conference in a settlement, with similar representatives from the Eastern and Western N. C. Christian Conferences, with the former treasurer of this body and to receive the funds coming to this conference and turn the same over to our present treasurer, Rev. T. W. Strowd.

Adjourned to meet on Tuesday after the third Sunday in November, 1895, with the church at Long's Chapel, Alamance Co., N. C., at 10 a. m.

Religious services by Rev. P. T. Klapp. Benediction by the President.

SOLOMON APPLE, Pres.
JEREMIAH W. HOLT, Sec.
S. A. HOLLEMAN, Asst. Sec.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

Sol. Apple—Had no pastoral charge. Preached occasionally and worked in protracted meetings and Sunday School

J. O Atkinson—Preached 71 sermons, delivered 25 addresses, received 26 into the church, baptized 8, made 105 pastoral visits, performed two funeral services, married 4 couples, received on salary $247.00.

J. S. Carden—Had no regular charge, but preached at two mission poin's and worked in protracted meetings.

T. B. Dawson—Served as pastor Howard's Chapel, Kallum Grove, and Mt. Bethel. Preached 60 sermons, received into the church 18, baptized 10, salary $150.

J. W Fonville—Preached at Haw River Mission.

H. L. Hines—Had no pastoral work. Assisted in several protracted meetings.

W. T. Herndon—Served Bethlehem—100 sermons, 50 addresses, 20 members received, baptized 18, funerals 3, marriages 3, salary $250.00.

Jeremiah W. Holt—Churches in charge: Salem Chapel, Belews Creek, Happy Home, Hines Chapel and Pleasant Ridge. Sermons 109, addresses 10, members received 33, baptized 15 pastoral visits 200, funerals 3, marriages 2, salary $300 00, taught school 5 months.

P. T. Klapp—Churches in charge; Pleasant Grove, Va., Ingram, Damascus, Ashboro, N. C. Sermons 109, addresses 6, members received 30, visits 408. Salary $680 48.

S. B. Klapp—churches in charge: Popular Branch, Grace Chapel, Goshen Chapel, Antioch (W), Union, Va. Sermons 140, pastoral visits 250, funerals 8, marriages 4, Salary $300.

T. W. Strowd—Churches in Charge: Bethel, Concord, sermons 70, members received 5, baptized 10, funerals 2, marriages 3, salary $80 00

J. W. Wellons—Church in charge: Durham, Sermons 106 received 11 members into the church, baptized 27, visits 758, funerals 2, marriages 2, salary $402 50.

Churches.	Pastors.	Secretary and Post-office.	R'p'ted last Year	Received Since.	Dis'ed by letter.	Suspended.	Withdrawn	Died.	Expelled.	Pres. Memb'ship.	S'nd'y School Sup'intend't.	Secretary and Post Office.	No. Schools.	No. Classes.	Offi. and Tea.	No. Pupils.	Total in School.	Vol in Library.	Do you use our own Literature?
Apple's Chapel	A F Isely	Z Christman, Liberty Store *	217	3	3			4		213	Jos Brown	W F Andrews, Company Mills *	1	6	9	60	69		yes
Bethlehem	W T Herndon	L D Rippy, Altamahaw *	355	20	4		6	4		361	W S Sutton		1	9	14	120	134		yes
Bethel	T W Strowd	L H Walker, Anderson *	49	3				1		51	J M Fitch		2	6	6	50	58		yes
Belew's Creek	J W Holt	V O Roberson, Belews Creek *	12	11						23	J G Orrell	Mrs T J Preston, Belews Creek *	1	6	7	100	107		no
Concord	T W Strowd	R S Miles, Milesville *	52	2						54									
Durham	J W Wellons	Jas McLenan, Durham *	50	14	1			1		62	A P Faucette	J W Lashley, Durham *	1	5	5	55	60	64	yes
Elon College	J O Atkinson	G W Tickle, Elon College *	41	12	3					50	C C Ellis	J P Lee, Elon College *	1	10	13	90	113		yes
Goshen Chapel	S B Klapp		31																
Hines Chapel	J W Holt	W A Heath, Greensboro *	198	12	2		2	2		206	W A Heath	J J Busick, Greensboro *	1	4	7	33	40		yes
Happy Home	J W Holt	J W Foster, Oregon *	59	5	1	2				61	W D Wall	J W Foster, Oregon *	1	4	6	50	56	50	yes
Hebron	J W Patton	J W Winfree, Virgilina †	79	13				1		91	E G Forlines	P A Boyd, Overland †							
Howard's Chapel	T B Dawson	W B Madison, Wentworth *	79							74									
Ingram	P T Klapp	L E Carlton, Ingram †	56	10	1	4	1		1	59	J C Pierce	J C Pierce, Ingram †	1	3	4	35	39		yes
Kallum Grove	T B Dawson	D F Wilson, Bason *	56	1	2		2	1	7	45	Green Craig	J H McBride, Bason *	1	4	4	30	34		yes
Lebanon	C C Peel	Dora Covington, Semora *	127	8			5	4		124	J M Smith	J O Wells Semora	2	8	12	53	65		no
Lexington	W H Roach	O H Rolfe, Lexington *	42	14	11			1		44	W E Markes	O H Rolfe, Lexington *	1	5	7	40	47		yes
Long's Chapel	P H Fleming	W J Fitch, McCray *	106	1	4			1		102									
Mt. Bethel	T B Dawson	D I Cummings, Bason *	70	4	1					73	J H Thacker	Tom McCallum, Simpson's Store *	1	2	3				no
Mt Pisgah																			
Mt Zion	W D Harward	Mrs Bradley, Pleasant Grove *	67	1				1		57	J E King	H H Christopher, Carrs *	1	3	5	20	25	87	yes
Pleasant Grove	P T Klapp	E A Weatherford, Sora †	232	10				3		239	D S Farmer	Willie Pierce, News Ferry †	1	7	11	65	76		yes
Pleasant Ridge	J W Holt	J H Barker, Summerfield *	61	7	2	14		1		51	T L Highfill	Miss Fannie Nelson	1	4	6	40	46		no
Salem Chapel	J W Holt	J D Dalton, Salem Chapel *	127		16		1			110	P W Dalton	J H Hazlip, Salem Chapel *	1	4	6	50	56		yes
Sage Garden	J W Parker	J A Holder, Kernersville *	14	4						18									
Shallow Ford	W D Harward	W D Walker, Burlington *	130	12	1		3	1		138	B F Black	L T Barber, Elon College *	1	7	9	70	79		yes
Union, N. C.	W C Wicker	J D Wilkins, Union Ridge *	293	4	4	22		3		268	H J Graham	G R Graham, Union Ridge *	1	4	6	35	46		yes
Union, Va.	S B Klapp	D S Bray, Hyco †	169	29	1		1			196	D S Bray		1	4	8	50	58		yes

An * is used N. C., and a † dagger for Va.

FINANCIAL TABLE.

Churches	Paid Pastor.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	To Educate Yng Preachers.	Chur Extension.	Conference Fund.	Other Purposes.	Total for all Church Purposes.	Val Chur. Prp'ty.	For S.S. Purposes.
Apple's Chapel	60 00	[illegible] 00	2 03			2 17	19 50	86 70	1200	10 00
Bethlehem	250 00	35 00	20 00	12 00	17 75	3 55	26 00	364 30	1500	34 24
Bethel	51 00	3 40	3 00	2 00	2 40	48		62 28	1500	6 00
Belew's Creek	17 68	1 00	1 00		60	12		20 40	450	10 00
Concord	27 50	4 00	2 21					33 71	800	
Durham	202 50	5 00	4 00	2 00	2 50	50	60 00	276 50	1700	39 12
Elon College	61 00	10 00	7 00	5 00	2 05	41	750 00	835 46		50 00
Goshen Chapel									325	
Hines Chapel	86 90	2 50	2 00		2 00	50	10 00	103 93	800	5 67
Happy Home	71 10	1 62	1 61		1 61			75 94	500	20 00
Hebron	100 00	5 66	2 84			79	10 00	119 29	800	
Howard's Chapel	50 00						15 00	65 00	300	
Ingram	114 00	10 00	8 00	5 00	2 80	56	20 00	160 36	1200	10 00
Kallum Grove	40 50	81	53					41 83	500	3 00
Lebanon	125 00	12 00		2 90		1 27		141 17	2000	11 00
Lexington	65 00	1 00	2 00	4 00	2 80	56		75 36	230	11 50
Long's Chapel		9 00	4 85	3 00	3 45	61	20 00	40 91	1000	
Mt. Bethel	37 50	60						38 10	800	
Mt. Pisgah										
Mt. Zion	39 00	3 00	2 00	1 00	50	41		45 91	1000	
Pleasant Grove	275 00	25 00	20 00	15 00	11 60	2 32	20 00	368 92	2500	20 50
Pleasant Ridge	45 20	2 00	1 00	1 00	50	61		50 31	800	
Salem Chapel	76 50	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 03	1 10	7 05	89 68	600	
Sage Garden	10 65	2 25			70	15		13 75	300	
Shallow Ford	50 00	5 60	2 10	3 50	4 55	75	10 00	76 50	1200	15 00
Union, N. C.	200 00	15 00	8 00	2 25	2 26	2 93	425 00	655 44	500	5 00
Union, Va.	129 50	7 12	8 00	5 00	3 37	1 21	125 00	276 40	1000	9 00

ASSESSMENTS.

Churches.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Educate Young Preach'rs.	Church Extension.	Conference Fund.
Apple's Chapel	15 00	8 00	10 00	6 39	2 13
Bethlehem	30 00	20 00	12 00	10 83	3 61
Bethel	4 00	2 00	3 00	1 53	51
Concord	4 00	3 00	3 00	1 62	54
Belew's Creek	1 00	2 00	1 00	69	23
Durham	5 00	4 00	2 00	1 86	62
Elon College	13 50	8 00	5 00	1 50	50
Goshen Chapel	4 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	33
Hines Chapel	12 00	5 00	8 00	6 18	2 06
Happy Home	4 00	4 00	5 00	1 83	61
Hebron	9 00	4 00	6 00	2 73	91
Howard's Chapel	6 00	2 00	3 00	2 40	80
Ingram	8 00	7 00	5 00	1 83	61
Kallum Grove	4 00	3 00	5 00	1 20	40
Lebanon	10 00	6 00	5 00	3 90	1 30
Lexington	1 00	2 00	4 00	1 41	47
Long's Chapel	15 00	10 00	5 00	3 06	1 02
Mt. Bethel	8 00	2 00	4 00	2 10	70
Mt. Pisgah	1 00	1 00			
Mt. Zion	4 50	3 00	2 00	1 71	57
Pleasant Grove	25 00	20 00	15 00	6 51	2 17
Pleasant Ridge	4 00	3 00	4 00	1 95	65
Salem hapel	8 00	4 00	5 00	3 30	1 10
Sage Garden	4 00	1 00	2 00	54	18
Shallow Ford	6 00	2 00	5 00	4 56	1 52
Union, N. C.	22 50	18 00	12 00	8 04	2 68
Union, Va.	10 00	10 00	5 00	5 88	1 96

Proceedings

OF THE

EASTERN N. C. CONFERENCE,

IN ITS

First Annual Session.

The Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference met in its First Annual Session at Christian Chapel, Chatham county, N. C., Nov. 27, 1894, and was called to order by Hon. S. P. Read as appointed by the last Session of the General Convention, South.

The president called upon Deacon A. Moring to conduct religious exercises which he did by reading 23rd Psalm, and made interesting remarks on the history, and growth of the Christian church; also on the doctrine, and prospects of our cause in N. C., followed by prayer and song.

An address of welcome was made Bro. L. S. Mann, and response was made on behalf of Conference by the secretary, Rev. Jas. L. Foster.

The president ordered the roll of Elders and churches called, with the following response:

ELDERS: W. G. Clements, Jas. L. Foster, G. R. Underwood, J. D. Wicker, W. C. Wicker, M. L. Winston.

CHURCHES AND DELEGATES:—Antioch: C. H. Harris; Auburn: J. E. Langston; Amelia:——; Beulah: E. L. Hicks, Rev. C. C. Williams; Bethany: Robert Johnson; Catawba Springs: S. M. Rowland, T. M. Franks; Christian Chapel: A. C. Davis, J. R. Pollard; Christian Light: A. D. Center, A. S. Arnold; Damascus: W. D. Nevill, S. W. Crabtree; Ebenezer: M. D. Byrum; Good Hope:

——; Hayes Chapel: W. R. Goodwin; Liberty: I. M. Green, O. W. Askew; Mt. Auburn: Hon. S. P. Read; Mt. Carmel: J. T. Usrey; Mt. Hermon:——; Martha's Chapel: J, C. Morgan, Miss Lelia Herndon; Morrisville: Prof. J. H. Moring, J. T. Upchurch; Moore Union: A. C. Yarboro, B. G. Wamock; New Elam: D. A. Mann, J. C. Davis: New Hope:——; Oak Level: Joseph Pierce; O'Kelley's Chapel: C. S. Holleman; Pleasant Union: ——; Pleasant Hill:——; Pleasant Grove:——; Popes Chapel: A. L. Allen, R. R. Holmes; Plymouth: J. Milton Banks, Rev. C. H. Howland; Piney Plains: J. H. Prince, N. B. Gulley; Raleigh: A Moring, R. B. Crutchfield; Spilona:——; Shallow Well; J. B. Watson; Turner's Chapel; A. W. Wicker; Wake Chapel: K. B. Johnson, L. H. Smith; Walnut Grove: J. W. Jones: Youngsville: J. C. Winston, W. T. Young; New Hill:——.

Organization: The following officers were elected: Hon. S. P. Read, Pres.; Rev. M. L. Winston, vice Pres.; Rev. Jas. L. Foster, Standing Sec.; W. R. Goodwin, Ass't. Sec.; J. E. Ballentine, Treasurer.

Vacancies on Committees were filled as follows: Committee on Sunday school, Rev. W. D. Harward.

The president announced the time for the annual address, after prayer and the reading of the Scripture lesson I. Cor, 12 chapter, Rev. W. C. Wicker delivered the address, on this interesting subject:—"The Progress of Church Life." Text, Phil. 4:8—"Think on these things." The address was full of historical facts, and logical argument for the Principles of the Christian Church, and of hope for the future growth of the church, impressing the necessity of Christian thought.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive committee of The Eastern N. C. Christian Conference, appointed at the session of the General Convention of the Christian church in May 1894, met in the city of Raleigh 1894, transacted the following business:

1. Decided that the new conference should be known by the name of Eastern N. C. Christian Conference.

2. Appointed committees as follows:

Education: Revs J. L Foster, W. C. Wicker, W. G. Clements, J. D. Wicker, and T. W. Strowd.

Home Missions: Revs. J. D Wicker, J. A. Jones and Hon J. H. Fleming.

Foreign Missions: Revs. G. R. Underwood, W. D. Harward and deacon J. Milton Banks.

Sunday Schools: Bros. D. J. Mood, J. H. Moring and Rev. C. H. Rowland.

Temperance: Rev J. W. Fuquay and brethren W. T. Young and T. J. Haskins.

Church Extension: Rev. J. A. Jones, brethren I. W. Pritchard, Dr. D B. Lassiter, J. B. King and Frank Ayscue.

Religious Literature: Revs. W. G. Clements, A P. Barbee, M. L. Winston, brethren, J T. Pugh and J. E. Ballentine To look after property belonging to the old N. C. & Va. Conference: Hon. J H. Fleming. To devise plans for the organization of Ladies Church Aid Societies: Mrs. J. L. Foster, Mrs. D J. Mood, Mrs. M. M. Harward and Miss Ammie Ballentine.

To deliver the annual sermon or address: Rev. W. C Wicker with Rev. T. W. Strowd alternate.

We received Rev. W. C. Wicker from the N. C. and Va. Christian Conference as an Elder in this Conference

W. G. CLEMENTS.
J. D. WICKER.

The report was adopted.

The following paper was offered by the Executive Committee and on motion was adopted:

We recommend the following order of business:

FIRST DAY. Organization, annual sermon, or address, report of Executive Committee, reading church letters, appointment of fraternal messengers, and some one to deliver the annual sermon or address, motions and resolutions.

SECOND DAY. Motions, resolutions, publication of minutes, reports of committees on Religious Literature, Sunday Schools, Foreign Missions, Temperance, and reading ministerial reports.

THIRD DAY. Motions and Resolutions, reports of committees on Education, Home Missions and Church Extension.

W. G. CLEMENTS.
J. D. WICKER.

On motion Rev. W. T. Hernden, Fraternal Messenger from the N. C. and Va. Christian Conference, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member of this body: also Revs. A. P. Barbee, J. W. Fuquay, C. C. Williams and C. H. Rowland Licentiates of this Conference. Some of these brethren represent the churches where they hold their membership.

Conference adjourned 45 minutes for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION, 1ST DAY.

President Read in the chair. Conference called to order, delegates enrolled. Church letters called for and read.

On motion conference elected the following Fraternal Messengers: Revs. Jas. L. Foster and W. G. Clements to the Eastern Virginia Conference. Rev. W. C. Wicker and Deacon J. A. Mills to the N. C. and Va. Conference. Rev. G. R. Underwood and Hon. S. P. Read to the Western N. C. Conference; Rev. M. L. Winston and D. J. Mood to the Ga. and Ala. Conference; Rev. J. D. Wicker and Hon. J. H. Fleming to the Valley Va. Conference.

On motion Rev. G. R. Underwood was elected to deliver the next annual address and Rev. W. G. Clements, was elected alternate.

By motion Conference selected Liberty, Vance Co., N. C., the next place for the Annual Session.

Resolved that this Conference combine the Church Extension enterprise with the Home Mission, and that the Home Missionary committee loan for church-building and donate from the Home Mission Fund for pastoral work.

The above resolution was adopted.

The chair appointed the following committee on Finance: Bros. C. S. Holleman, M. L. Winston, and J. Milton Banks.

On motion the following assessing committee was appointed, to be composed of one member from each of

the following committees: Education, Home Mission and Foreign Mission—Revs. W. G. Clements, J. D. Wicker, G. R. Underwood.

An account against the Conference for incidental expenses was presented by the secretary, and was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Devotional services by Rev. J. D. Wicker.

By motion Conference adjourned till 9:30 a. m. to-morrow.

SECOND DAY, NOV. 28.

The Conference called to order by the president. Devotional exercises,—song, "All hail the power of Jesus name. Scripture lesson Psa. 34, and prayer by Rev. W. T. Herndon. Reading of proceedings of yesterday.

Rev. C. C, Peel as Fraternal messenger from the Western N. C. Conference was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

The following committee on incorporation of and seal for this body was appointed: J. H. Fleming, A.W. Wicker, A. Moring, Jas. L. Foster.

Rev. C. C. Peel bore the Fraternal Greetings from the Western N. C. Conference, and Rev. W. T. Herndon from the N. C. and Va. Conference; and also Dr. Herndon, Financial agent of Elon College, presented the College interest.

Prof. E. L. Moffitt of the Western N. C. conference, Editor of the Christian Sun, was invited to a seat as deliberative member of this body.

Rev. J. A. Jones arrived and was enrolled, Hon. J. H. Fleming arrived and was enrolled as delegate from Ebenezer.

The publication of the minutes of this conference was called, and on motion it was decided to publish the proceedings of this session in the Annual. Subscriptions for the Annual were taken and orders for 400 received.

The following report was presented and after discussion by Rev. W. G. Clements and others, was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

The publications of any denomination are an index to its financial, intellectual and spiritual standing. By these judgment is passed upon its power for good in the world. Hence, of the various human instrumentalities put forth for the development of denominational work, the publishing interests should be the nucleus around which all others gather.

We would urge the necessity of reading good literature, and with double emphasis that of our church. There are many books on sale by the Christians, which are worthy to go into any religious library; but we haven't space to mention them.

We think no Sunday school in a Christian Church complete without the Sunday school literature published at the Christian Publishing House, Dayton, Ohio, no song service of the church finished without the use of the Hymnary, and no house fully furnished with religious newspapers without the CHRISTIAN SUN. We are glad to report it in its fiftieth year, and that its age has detracted nothing from its brightness. In mechanical make up, religious thought and spiritual inspiration, it stands near the front rank of religious journalism. It has the honor this year to represent the Centennial of the church in a special number. It deserves the support of the members of the Christian church

We take pleasure in recommending to our people, in strong terms the Herald of Gospel Liberty and The Christian Missionary, both published at Dayton, Ohio.

W. G. CLEMENTS,
M. L. WINSTON,
A. P. BARBEE,
J. E. BALLENTINE.

The editor of the CHRISTIAN SUN presented it claims and secured subscriptions.

AFTERNOON SESSION 3RD DAY.

The president called the Conference to order at 1:45 p. m.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We your committee on Sunday schools beg leave to make the following report. We find that 25 out of 30 churches have schools with a total membership of 1370. We recommend that this body appoint a committee of three to arrange a programme for a Sunday school Convention for the Eastern N. C. conference and select time and place and announce the programme through the SUN.

J. H. MORING,
C. H. ROWLAND,
W. D. HARWARD,

The report adopted; and the following committee to arrange time and place for a Sunday School Convention was appointed: Revs. W. G. Clements, W. C. Wicker, Prof. J. H. Moring.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We your committee ask leave to report that our work in the foreign field is in a prosperous condition. Quite a number of converts have been reported

during the year, and new church buildings have been going up. About two months ago a new house of worship was dedicated to the worship of the Christians. During the year 1894 the following persons have gone from the Christian church in the United States as missionaries to Japan. Rev. E. C. Fry from Boston Sept. 1st. Revs. C. T. Penrod and S. V. Gullet from Merom, Ind. Sept. 10th, all sailing from Vancouver Sept. 17th. We have ten preachers besides the native helpers to represent us in Japan.

The following amounts have been collected by the Christians during last four years for foreign missions $18,631.39 of this amount $16,747.69 have been disbursed, More workers means more money. God is opening the eyes of our people to see their duty. We recommend the following:

1st. That the ministers having work in the Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference be requested to preach one sermon on foreign missions during the year.

2nd. That all who can subscribe for the Christian Missionary published at Dayton Ohio.

3rd. That foreign missionary societies be organized in the local churches in this Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

G. R. UNDERWOOD,
W. D. HARWARD,
J. MILTON BANKS,
Com.

Discussed by Rev. G. R. Underwood and others. The secretary read a letter and presented the contribution of $9.00 made by sisters Ida, Dena, and Lula Askew for Foreign Missions, and the report adopted.

The Committee on Finance reported; recommended the payment of $10:83 to Jas. L. Foster, secretary, for incidental expenses.

The report of the committee on By-laws and Constitution for Ladies Aid Societies was read by Miss Ammie Ballentine.

By motion 250 copies of the report were ordered published in pamphlet form, and the secretary instructed to send said By-laws and constitution to the church.

Vacancy filled on Home Missions: Hon. A. W. Wicker.

Committee on Temperance offered the following report:

TEMPERANCE REPORT.

Any church that is not a temperance church, is not in a Christian condition. Temperance means total abstinence in all that is evil, and moderation in all that is good.

Resolved 1. That it is wrong to build churches to teach men the way of life, and at the same time license men to lead others to hell.

2. That it is wrong to teach your boys and girls the evil of intemperance, and at the same time practice intemperance before them.

3. That it is wrong to preach justice and charity, and to take care of the future church and then vote for a man that drinks intoxicants, and profanes

the name of God who made him, to make laws for us.

4. we recommend and heartily endorse the teaching of temperance in our homes and schools.

J. W. FUQUAY.

After discussion, the report was adopted. Ministerial reports called for and read.

The following resolution was presented and after discussion adopted:

That the Executive Committee be required to take the Bond of the Treasurer in double the amount of money that may be on hand at any one time and designate some Bank in the city of Raleigh where he shall deposit the money, provided that the Treasurer shall not be held responsible for any money that might be lost by bank designated.

Rev. J. A. Jones asked that he be excused from pastoral work for the coming year, and his request was granted.

By motion, Conference decided to meet on Friday before the first Sunday in December 1895, 10 a. m.

On motion, the secretary was instructed to tender a vote of thanks to sisters Askew for their liberal donation to the Foreign Mission Fund.

Prayer by Rev. C. C. Peel. Conference adjourned till 4:30 a. m. to-morrow.

THIRD DAY, NOV. 29.

Conference called to order by President Read 9:45 a. m. Devotional exercises by Rev. J. W. Wellons.

On motion Rev. J. W. Wellons of the N. C. and Va., and Rev. J. W. Hatch of the Western N. C. conference were invited to seats as deliberative members and each responded in fitting words.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved. 1st. That a vote of thanks be tendered Rev. W. C. Wicker for the very excellent and instructive address delivered before this, the first annual session of the Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference, and that he be requested to furnish said address for pub-

lication in the CHRISTIAN SUN.

2nd. That a vote of thanks be expressed to the people of this community for the very warm reception given us in their homes.

3rd. That a vote of thanks is due and is hereby tendered to the officers of this conference for their faithfulness and earnest effort for the success of this body.

Rev. L. W. Mangum arrived and was enrolled, and his ministerial report read.

A paper on Union was introduced and read, and after discussion the following substitute was adopted.

Moved, That this Conference appoint a committee of five to consider all questions of Union which may come to us from any religious body, said committee to report at the next Annual Session of this Conference.

The Chair appointed the following committee: Rev. J. L. Foster, W. G. Clements, Hon. J. H. Fleming, Rev. M. L. Winston, Prof. J. H. Moring.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

At no other period in the history of the Christian church, South, have we had such cause for rejoicing over our educational interests as at present. Elon College has been established. The measure of success already attained is very encouraging; and the prospects for the future are bright. If our people in the ministry and among the laymen will continue the interest that they have already shown, there is no reason why Elon College shall not soon rank among the best institutions in the South. With respect to the moral and religious status of the college, we wish to state that the original idea that it should be entirely, essentially, and emphatically a Christian institution has been faithfully preserved, the charter makes it such and by that instrument none but Christian men can ever control it. The college seeks to educate the moral and spiritual natures as well as the intellectual and thus develop the whole man or woman.

The number of young people now in the college justifies us in reporting favorably upon the educational progress of our Conference. This condition is a hopeful prophecy of our future growth.

The necessity of sustaining our educational work forces itself upon us as never before. No society can live and grow in this period of universal progress without its training center. The church must keep abreast with civil institutions. Our young people must be educated. Intelligent activity must characterize our efforts for the salvation of souls and the glory of God. Our bush must burn with the divine presence and be vocal with the divine voice. God must be at the center of our training for praise and for work. We need such culture of head and heart as cannot be discounted by panics or left behind in the race.

Elon College is the acknowleged center of our scholastic efforts. This institution is now in its fifth year having won the confidence of society as no other school has in so short a time. It has a faculty of ten members who do

the best of work. There are three literary societies with enthusiastic memberships and elegantly furnished halls. The moral and religious tone among the students merit our praise. The only bar to larger usefulness is a lack of money. Liberality toward Elon College must be cultivated till all debt is removed and a permanent endowment is secured.

To educate in the strict sense, is "to lead out and train the mental powers; to prepare and fit for any calling or business, or for activity and usefulness in life." This relates to the fundamental and general principles of education.

And we most heartily recommend to the laity of this Conference, and the general public, Elon College as a worthy institution for general education of both sexes and for special professional study.

And to all who are looking to the ministry in the Christian church within the bounds of this conference, we say that Elon College is the best place for you to pursue theological studies.

Our General Convention has systematized the course of ministerial education. We recommend to all ministerial students the three years course of study as prescribed by the Convention. And we hope by the next session of this conference to have developed plans for an extensive course of reading for all our preachers.

We wish here to make three recommendations to all our pastors and Biblical students as essential to their success as preachers of the Gospel:

1. Piety.—"Obedient love of the Will of God and zealous devotion to his service."

2. Study.—"A setting of the thoughts upon a subject; hence, application of mind to books, to art or science, or to any subject for the purpose of learning what is not before known.

3. Industry.—"Habitual diligence in any employment, either bodily or mental. Characterized by diligence."

Piety, Study, Industry, the Trinity of Success!

That which is seen and felt coming from the soul, mind and body. We press these three principles upon all.

Rev. W. D. Harward is now in his junior year at Elon College and has decided to labor as a licentiate another year before applying for ordination. He has a full field of work.

Rev. C. H. Rowland was before us but did not apply for ordination. He will continue his studies.

Revs. J. W. Fuquay and A. P. Barbee were recommended by their churches for ordination. While they have made progress in some branches of study they have not come up to the requirements on the course for ordination. We recommend that they pursue the course for ordination as directed.

Brother M. D. Byrum was before us for licensure; he failed to stand the required examination.

We recommend that the treasurer be instructed to lend Rev. W. D. Harward forty dollars ($40.00) and take the usual note for the same.

We recommend that all these brethren confer with the secretary of this committee, Rev. W. C. wicker, Chapel Hill, N. C., in regard to the text books to be used in this course.

J. L. FOSTER.
W. C. WICKER,
W. G. CLEMENNS,
J. D. WICKER,
COM.

The report, after discussion by Rev. W. C. Wicker and others was adopted.

HOME MISSION REPORT.

The committee on Home Missions respectfully report that they have considered the various fields for missions within the bounds of this conference and they find that in the large, rich territory east of the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad to the Virginia line there are only four churches, and they believe it to be an excellent field for home missiou work, and if there were funds with which to send a missionara in this field he could do a grand work and establish churches that would be self-sustaining.

They find that in the large territory on the left of the Southern Railway from Raleign east there are only two churches, and they consider this an inviting field for missionary work.

Besides these large territories there are towns and villages in which the committee believe that self-sustaining churches could be established if the Principles of the Christian church were presented to them by missionaries.

At Antioch, Warren county, money has been appropriated which proved to be profitable, they now have a good house of worship almost completed, the pastor has resigned at this point, and the committee recommended that Rev. M. L. winston be appointed to take charge of this church and that on appropriation of $25.00 be supplemented to his salary, to be paid semi-annually.

we recommend that Rev. w, G. Clements preach at Piney Plain and endeavor to secure the title to that property. Should he succeed in securing the title we recommend that he be paid $25.00 for his pastoral services.

The Raleigh church is gaining strength and is becoming popular with the Raleigh people and is doing much to call attention of the people of the state to the Christian church and its Principles, and the committee believe that it will repay all that has been spent on it. Bro. Foster has been a faithful pastor and is popular with the people of the city generally. we recommend that $150.00 be appropriated to aid the church in Bro. Foster's salary, to be paid quarterly, and think with this assistance that Bro. Foster should preach every Sunday at night and at least three Sundays in each month in the day, and that he have the privilege of serving one other church on Sunday morning.

N. D. WICKER,
J. FLEMING,
S. WICKER.

The report after discussion. was adopted.

REPORT.

J. H. Fleming one of the committee for dividing funds of Old N. C. and Va. Christian Conference among the three New Conferences, respectfully reports: That there was in the Treasury after the payment of claims presented—$123 82, 11 notes of the face value of $450.00, of the notes $100.00 of face value is bad, leaving $330 50 for Division. The N. C. and Va Christian Conference took notes of the face value of $100.00 leaving $230.50 for Division between this and other Conferences. Notes of face value of $110.50, has been delivered the Treasurer of this Confereece.

The seal of the Old N. C. and Va. Conference of the estimated valne of $3.00 one third of which sum added to $41,27 makes $42.27 which was the amount due this Conference at the time of division, since this division a claim has been presented by Rev. J. L, Eoster for $25.00 which ought to have been paid out of fund before division which leave $33.44 which sum has been paid to the Treasuaer of this Conference.

J. H. FLEMING.

The report of the committee was adopted.

By motion conference adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION 3RD DAY.

Song service led by Prof. J. H. Moring. By request of the president, Rev. J. L. Foster conducted a short thanksgiving service. The president called the conference to order.

On motion, it was decided to pay Rev. C. H. Rowland $25.00 for pastoral services at Piney Plain for 1894,

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ASSESSMENTS.

Churches	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Ministerial Education	Conference Fund	Total
Antioch	7 00	2 00	2 00	75	$11 75
Auburn	8 00	4 00	4 00	50	16 50
Amelia	50	25	25	25	1 25
Beulah	6 00	3 00	3 00	1 00	13 00
Bethany	3 00	1 50	1 50	50	6 50
Catawba Springs	15 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	26 00
Christian Chapel	10 00	5 00	4 00	1 00	20 00
Christian Light	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	5 50
Damascus	15 00	7 00	5 00	1 00	28 00
Ebenezer	5 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	9 00
Good Hope	5 00	2 00	2 00	80	9 80
Hayes Chapel	10 00	5 00	4 00	1 00	20 00
Liberty	10 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	21 00
Mt Auburn	20 00	8 00	8 00	2 00	38 00
Mt Carmel	3 00	1 00	1 00	25	5 25
Mt Hermon	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	5 50
Martha's Chapel	8 00	4 00	3 00	75	15 75
Moore Union	5 00	3 00	2 00	90	10 90
Morrisville	5 00	3 00	3 00	40	11 40
New Elam	12 00	6 00	6 00	1 00	25 00
New Hope	4 00	2 00	2 00	70	8 70
New Hill	1 00	50	50	40	2 40
O'Kelly's Chapel	12 00	6 00	6 00	1 00	25 00
Oak Level	12 00	5 00	5 00	1 30	23 30
Pleasant Union	5 00	2 00	2 00	60	9 60
Pleasant Hill	5 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	10 00
Pleasant Grove	1 00	50	50	15	2 15
Pope's Chapel	10 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	21 00
Plymouth	5 00	2 00	2 00	75	9 75
Piney Plains	2 00	1 00	1 00	30	4 30
Raleigh	12 00	5 00	4 00	50	21 50
Spilona	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	5 50
Shallow Well	10 00	8 00	5 00	1 20	24 20
Turner's Chapel	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	5 50
Wake Chapel	15 00	6 00	6 00	1 90	28 90
Walnut Grove	4 00	3 00	2 00	30	9 30
Youngsville	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	5 50
Total	260 50	119 75	107 75	28 70	516 70

The report was adopted.

Rev. E. G. Stephenson of the B ıptist chuch was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

By vote the conference appointed Rev. J. L. Foster to arrange a form for a church letter for transfer of Membership.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Executive :—Revs. W. G. Clements, J. D. Wicker, and J. A. Jones.

Education :—Revs. J. L. Foster, W. C. Wicker, W. G. Clements, and J. D. Wicker.

Home Mission :—Rev. J. D. Wicker, Hon. J. H. Fleming and Bro. W. T. Young.

Foreign Missions :—Revs. G. R. Underwood, W. D. Harward and Bro. J. Milton Banks.

Religious Literature :—Revs. W. G. Clements, M. L. Winston, Prof. J. T. Pugh, Bro. J. E. Ballentine, and Rev. A. P. Barbee.

Sunday schools :—D. J. Mood, Rev. C. H. Rowland, Prof. J. H. Moring.

Temperance :—Rev. J. W. Fuquay, Bros. W. T. Young and T. J. Haskins.

By motion, conference authorized the secretary to draw an order on the Treasurer of this Conference in favor of the Treasurer of the General Convention for whatever amount of Foreign Mission money may be on hand.

Banner churches (i. e. paid all the Conference assessments) : Auburn, Morrisville, Raleigh, and Walnut Grove.

Bros. A. Moring and J. H. Fleming were oppointed a committee to see that today's proceeding have been properly recorded.

Closing devotional exercises conducted by Rev. J. D. Wicker, reading Ps. 19 ; song "All hail the power of Jesus name" ; Prayer by Rev. J. W. Wellons.

Conference adjourned.

JAS. L. FOSTER, Sec., Raleigh, N. C. — S. P. READ, Pres., Palmer Springs, Va.

W. R. GOOMWIN, Ass't. Sec., Garner, N. C.

Churches	Pastors	Secretaries and Their Post-Offices	Present Membership	Amount Paid Pastor	For Home Missions	For Foreign Missions	To Educate Young Preachers	Conference Fund	Other Purposes Paid for	Value of Church Property
Auburn 1	J O Atkinson	Wm Watts, Auburn	51	85 23	8 25	4 00	5 00	45		700
Antioch 2	S B Klapp	Mrs N J Harris, Elams	62	75 00	4 54	52		40		500
Amelia										
Bethany 3	A P Barbee	W R Mays, Blackwood	64	16 00	1 61	1 61		68		400
Beulah 4	C C Williams	J B Edwards, Hartsville	75	45 00	5 40	2 50	1 50	75		300
Christian Chapel 5	W G Clements	L S Mann, Corinth	184	70 00	2 30				36 90	1000
Catawba Springs 1	J O Atkinson	F M Franks, Raleigh	97	100 00	6 63	5 00		94		700
Christian Light 6	C H Rowland	J R Brown, May	39	35 00	1 50	19	50	20		500
Damascus 7	P T Klapp	M M McCauly,	103	125 00	19 26	7 00	5 00	1 03		1500
Ebenezer 5	W G Clements			35 00	4 00	2 00	2 00	1 10		300
Good Hope 9	I D Wicker	J D Pleasants, Pernell	53	56 00	1 90	1 78		30		500
Hayes Chapel 9	J A Jones	L M Barbee, Garner	112	36 80	1 20	1 19				800
Liberty 10	J D Wicker	B R Eaves, Epsom	170	102 56	15 00	5 00	4 00	1 59	15 00	1000
Mt Auburn 11	J W Patton	S P Read, Palmer's Springs +	178	150 00	22 74	10 00	8 00	1 82		500
Mt Carmel 10	J D Wicker	W J Wilson, Wilton	27	30 00	1 25	1 15		27		500
Mt Hermon 6	C H Rowland	W I Beasley, Auburn	56	27 40	2 00	70			2 30	700
Moore Union 12	J W Fuquay	N A Matthews, Grotto	68	33 50	1 90	1 40		25		300
Martha's Chapel 4	J A Jones	W A Ellington, Elm Grove	61	60 00	6 00	7 00		59		1000
Morrisville 8	W C Wicker	J H Moring, Morrisville	43	65 00	1 80	3 00	5 00	36		500
New Hope 4	C C Williams	Nellie A Rogers, Riley's X Roads	64	34 15	3 50	2 00	1 75	49		500
New Hill										
New Elam 13	C C Peel	W G Lasater, Merry Oaks	87	101 50	16 80	6 00	3 15	1 00	50 00	900
Oak Level 10	J D Wicker	D M Cook, Franklinton	112	125 00	13 00	7 00	3 00	1 32		1000
O'Kelley's Chapel 8	W C Wicker	C S Holloman, Williams Mills	165	160 00	8 33	8 00		1 06	10 00	600
Pleasant Hill 14	L W Mangum	R I Austin, Benson	87	26 00	3 00	2 00				400
Pleasant Grove										
Pleasant Union	J W Fuquay	W J Long, Bowie's Creek	51	10 00	1 80	2 04		50		400
Plymouth	L W Mangum	J W Rhodes, Banks	71	24 00	5 98	3 00		78		550
Popes Chapel	J D Wicker	Annie L Jones, Franklinton	105	75 15	4 00	2 10		1 07		1000
Piney Plane	C H Rowland	J S Patrick, Massey	43	25 00	1 00	1 00		24		500
Raleigh	J L Foster	D J Mood, Raleigh	52	225 45	12 50	5 00	5 00	50	264 47	7000
Shallow Well	G R Underwood	J D Gunter, Jodesboro	123	100 00	7 25	7 02	45	54		1000
Spilona	C H Rowland	R I Lasater, Spilona	35	16 50	88	1 06		35		700
Turner's Capel	A P Barbee	E H Johnson, Colon	47	27 15	1 00	3 00		47		500
Walnut Grove	J D Wicker	A T Grissom, Grissom	30	51 20	5 55	3 00	2 00	31	5 00	300
Wake Chapel	W G Clements	J E Ballentine, Varina	192	100 00	16 11	5 00	5 00	1 89		600
Youngsville	J D Wicker	T L Moss, Youngsville	43	50 00	1 95	1 05		43		1500

Churches	S S Superintendents and Their Post-Offices.	Number in Sunday School	Raised in the Sunday School
Auburn	J E Langston, Auburn	52	$ 9 50
Antioch	W W Taylor, Elams	73	
Amelia			
Bethany	D G Pendergrass, University Station	60	5 00
Beulah	J B Edwards, Hartsville	56	2 50
Christian Chapel	L S Mann, Corinth	62	2 00
Catawba Springs			
Christian Light	R M Lockany, May	35	7 50
Damascus	I W Pritchard, Lindsay	68	12 00
Ebenezer			
Good Hope	W G Hines, Youngsville	62	1 40
Hayes Chapel	W L Moring, Garner	53	6 62
Liberty	H R Hoyle, Epsom	69	6 00
Mt Auburn	T J Haskins, Newman	80	12 23
Mt Carmel	J W Mitchell, Wilton	70	3 00
Mt Hermon			
Moore Union	L B Spivy, Forkade	35	3 00
Martha's Chapel	H Mulholland, Williams' Mills	38	12 00
Morrisville	J K Gibson, Morrisville	30	10 00
New Hope	W C Strickland, Riley's X Roads	93	
New Hill			
New Elam	D A Mann, Merry Oaks	82	14 00
Oak Level	J C Williams, Youngsville	38	10 00
O'Kelley's Chapel	A M Parish, Durham	67	10 00
Pleasant Hill			
Pleasant Grove			
Pleasant Union	W A Green, Bowie's Creek	44	
Plymouth	D D Banks, Banks	63	1 60
Pope's Chapel	J W House, Franklinton		
Piney Plane	N B Gulley, Massey	43	5 00
Raleigh	D J Mood, Raleigh	95	82 22
Shallow Well	J D Gunter, Jonesboro	43	5 00
Spilona			
Turner's Chapel	T M Johnson, Colon	60	1 50
Walnut Grove			
Wake Chapel	L H Smith, Varina	55	
Youngsville	J C Winston, Youngsville	57	6 65
		1593	228 72

ELDERS.

VALLEY VA. CONFERENCE.

Deans, T. D.	Ronda, N. C.
Iseley, E. T.	Linville, Va.
Scott, J. A.	Linville, Va.

GA. & ALA. CONFERENCE.

Abercrombee, H. M.	
Chewning, M. D.	
Dollar, C. M.	Peavy, Ala.
Elder, J. D.	Milltown, Ala.
Elder, J. W.	Ophelia, Ala.
Elder, T. H.	Milltown, Ala.
Elder, H. W.	Milltown, Ala.
Fletcher, W. D.	Girard, Ala.
Hunt, G. D.	Penton, Ala.
Heard, C. C.	Langdale, Ala.
Hurst, G. M.	Aurora, Ala.
Hughes, J. H.	Double Head, Ala.
Knight, W. R.	Peavy, Ala.
Lett, M. F.	Wise, Ala.
Malone, C. G.	Level Head, Ala.
Orr, J. B.	Mt. Calm, Tex.
Smith, Jubilee	Gainesville, Fla.

N. C. & VA. CONFERENCE.

Allen, P. W.	Winston, N. C.
Apple, Solomon	Selma, "
Atkinson, J. O.	Elon College, "
Dawson, T. B.	Bason, "
Fulton, H. C.	White Roads, "
Herndon, W. T.	Elon College, "
Holt, J. W.	Burlington, "
Iseley, A. F.	Shallow Ford. "
Klapp, P. T.	Elon College. "
Klapp, S. B.	Virgilina, Va.
Long, W. S.	Elon College, N. C.
Pinnix, J. W.	Kernersville, "
Strowd, J. W.	Union Ridge, "
Wellons, J. W.	Durham, "

WESTERN N. C. CONFERENCE.

Albright, H. A.	Moffitt's Mills, N. C
Brown, W. R.	Empire, "
Boone, C. A.	Elon College, "
Comer, J. R.	Rise, "
Cooper, A. J.	Staley, "
Fleming, P. H.	Graham, "
Hatch, J. W.	Pittsboro, "
Howard, B. F.	Mineral Wells, Tex.
Howard, W. W.	Mineral Wells, "
Jarrell. E. H.	Randleman, N. C.
Lawrence, J. S.	Erect, "
Lawrence, W. W.	Brower's Mills, "
Moffitt, H. T.	Moffitt's Mills, "
Newman J. U.	Elon College, "
Nelson, A. S.	Big Oak, "
Patton, J. W.	Liberty, "
Parker, J. W.	High Point, "
Peel, C. C.	Burlington, "
Richardson, W. B.	Bulla, "
Roach, W. H.	High Point, "
Way, S. H.	Fork Creek "
Way, P. T.	Liberty, "
Webster, J. A.	Franklinsville, "

EASTERN VA. CONFERENCE.

Barrett, J. P.	Norfolk, Va.
Barrett, J. W.	Windsor, Va.
Butler, H. H.	Suffolk, Va.
Butler, M. W.	Berkley, Va.
Charnock, Roger	Waverly, Va.
Hurley, M. L.	Elon College, N. C.
Holland R. H.	Holland, Va.
Jones, C. J.	Norfolk, Va.
Kitchen, J. T.	Windsor, Va.
Moore, H. C.	Charlottsville, Va.
Newman, N. G.	Suffolk, Va.
Peel, R. H.	Amberly, Va.
Rawls, J. W.	Franklin, Va.
Staley, W. W.	Suffolk, Va.
Walker, W. T.	Greensboro, N. C.

EASTERN N. C. CONFERENCE.

Clements, W. G.	Morrisville, N. C.
Foster, Jas. L.	Raleigh, "
Jones, J. A.	Ballentine's Mills, "
Mangum, L. W.	Benson, "
Underwood, G, R.	Jonesboro, "
Wicker, J. D.	Youngsville, "
Wicker, W. C.	Chapel Hill, "
Winston M. L.	Creedmore "

LICENTIATES.

GA. AND ALA. CONFERENCE.

Davis, W, D.	Daviston, Ala.
Daniel, W. J. W.	Parrot, Ga.
Hurst, W. G.	Aurora, Ala.
Pittman, W. T.	Rock Mills, Ala.
Swann, C. W.	Buckeye, Ala.

N. C. & VA. CONFRENCE.

Fonville, J. W.	Big Falls, N. C.
Carden, J. S.	Blackwood, "
Hines, H. L.	Greensboro, "
Barnes, J. W.	Omaha, Tex.
Rogers, W. A,	Weimar "

WESTERN N. C CONFERENCE.

Baldwin, M. A.	Franklinsville, N. C.
Hayes, W. N.	Erect, "
Kearns, B. F.	Moffitt's Mills, "
Stinson, D. R.	Asheboro, "
Vuncannon, Henry,	Asheboro, "
Wright, J. H.	Asheboro, "

EASTERN VA. CONFERENCE.

Demarest, R. D. H.	Elwood, Va.
Jones, J. H.	Holland, Va.
Laine, W. J.	Airfield, Va.

EASTERN N. C. CONFERENCE.

Barbee, A. P.	Colon, N. C.
Fuquay, J. W.	Varina, "
Harward, W. D.	Elon College, "
Massey, J. A.	Keyser, "
Rowland, C. H.	Raleigh, "
Williams, C. C.	Royal, "

JNO. B. LASSITER.

The subject of this sketch was born, Sept. 11, 1816, and died August 17, 1894, being 77 years, 11 months and 6 days old. He was one of the oldest, truest, and most faithful members of Damascus Christian church (Gates Co., N. C.) and had been a deacon in his church for about 35 years. He was a man strong in body, in mind, in faith and in character, faithful in the discarge of every duty.

In July 1893 he was stricken with a form of rheumatism or partial paralysis so that he could not rise from his seat, nor feed himself at the table.

May 30, 1894, he was stricken with a more severe stroke of paralysis, causing the total disuse of one side of his body, and greatly afflicting his brain. The physician could give no hope of his recovery, but he revived a little, till July 19, 1894 when another stroke rendered him unable to take food except in liquid form. In this condition he lingered and suffered till the morning of August 17, when the messenger of death called and he breathed his last. Without a murmur, without a struggle, without a sigh, he fell asleep in the arms of Jesus.

His funeral was conducted from his much loved church, Damascus, by his devoted pastor, Rev. H. H. Butler, and his body laid to rest, near that of his mother in the church burying ground. Funeral text, 2 Tim. 4:6–8.

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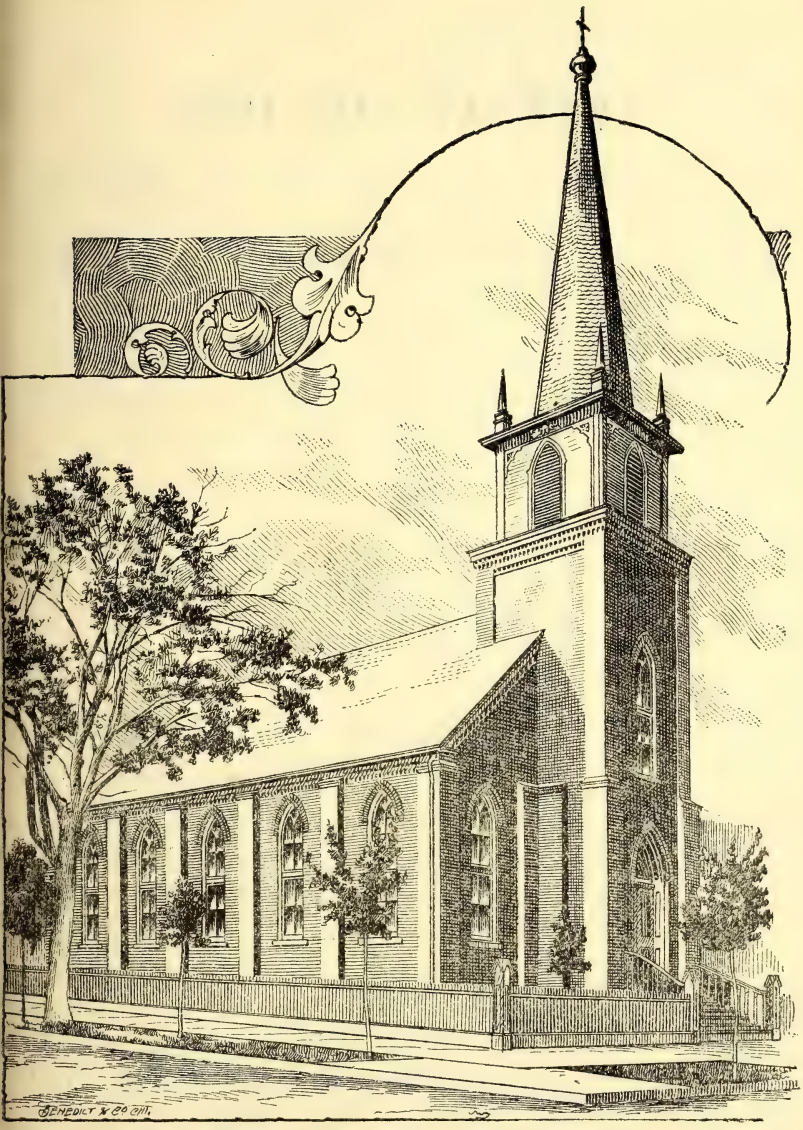

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CALENDAR FOR 1896.

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The Seasons.

Spring	commences	March 19 d 8 h evening.
Summer	"	June 20 d 4 h evening.
Autumn	"	September 22 d 7 h morning.
Winter	"	December 21 d 1 h morning.

Eclipses.

During the year 1896 there will be four eclipses—two of the Sun and two of the Moon.

I. Feb. 13—An annular eclipse of the Sun, invisible to North America.

II. Feb. 28—A partial eclipse of the Moon, invisible to North America.

III. Aug. 9—A total eclipse of the Sun, invisible to North America, exclusive of Alaska. Visible in the Arctic regions. The line of totality running through Nova Zembla and Yesso, Japan.

IV. Aug. 22–23—A partial eclipse of the Moon, visible entire to North and South America. The Moon enters Penumbra 10h. 7m., p. m.; the Moon leaves Penumbra 23d, 3h. 48m., a. m.; middle of eclipse, 23d, 0h. 58m., a. m.

Moon's Phases.

STANDARD TIME—75th MER.

		DAY.	HOUR.	MIN.
JANUARY.				
	Last Quarter	7	10	16 Morning.
	New Moon	14	5	11 "
	First Quarter	22	9	34 Evening.
	Full Moon	30	3	47 "
FEBRUARY.				
	Last Quarter	5	7	29 Evening.
	New Moon	13	11	4 Morning.
	First Quarter	21	4	6 Evening.
	Full Moon	28	2	43 "
MARCH.				
	Last Quarter	6	6	20 Morning.
	New Moon	14	5	39 "
	First Quarter	22	6	48 "
	Full Moon	29	0	13 "
APRIL.				
	Last Quarter	4	7	15 Evening.
	New Moon	12	11	16 "
	First Quarter	20	5	38 "
	Full Moon	27	8	39 Morning.
MAY.				
	Last Quarter	4	10	17 Morning.
	New Moon	12	2	38 "
	First Quarter	20	1	12 "
	Full Moon	26	4	48 Evening.
JUNE.				
	Last Quarter	3	2	54 Morning.
	New Moon	11	3	34 "
	First Quarter	18	6	32 "
	Full Moon	25	1	46 "

		DAY.	HOUR.	MIN.	
JULY.					
	Last Quarter	2	8	15	Evening.
	New Moon	10	2	26	"
	First Quarter	17	10	56	Morning.
	Full Moon	24	0	36	Evening.
AUGUST.					
	Last Quarter	1	1	26	Evening.
	New Moon	8	11	53	"
	First Quarter	15	3	54	"
	Full Moon	23	1	56	Morning.
	Last Quarter	31	3	47	"
SEPTEMBER.					
	New Moon	7	8	35	Morning.
	First Quarter	13	11	1	Evening.
	Full Moon	21	5	41	"
	Last Quarter	29	8	50	"
OCTOBER.					
	New Moon	6	5	10	Evening.
	First Quarter	13	9	39	Morning.
	Full Moon	21	11	9	"
	Last Quarter	29	10	12	"
NOVEMBER.					
	New Moon	5	2	18	Morning.
	First Quarter	12	0	32	"
	Full Moon	20	5	16	"
	Last Quarter	27	9	35	Evening.
DECEMBER.					
	New Moon	4	0	42	Evening.
	First Quarter	11	7	21	"
	Full Moon	19	10	57	"
	Last Quarter	27	7	0	Morning.

The Christian Church.

From the meeting of the first General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, held in Baltimore, Nov. 1, 1792, the Christian church dates its origin. During the sitting of that body, Rev. James O'Kelly, a presiding elder and one of the strongest and most influential Methodists of his time, introduced a resolution providing that when a minister was not satisfied with the circuit to which his Bishop had appointed him, he could appeal to conference, and if his appeal were sustained, the Bishop should give him another appointment. After a long and heated debate the resolution was lost. The next day O'Kelly and about thirty other ministers sent in their resignations and withdrew from Conference. Next year they met at Manokin Town, N. C., and organized a body taking the name of "Republican Methodists," not intending to cut themselves entirely loose from the Methodist church. They soon found, however, that such a course was impracticable; and 1794 they again met in conference at old Lebanon church, Surry County, Va., and there, at the suggestion of Rev. Rice Haggard, they decided henceforth to wear only the name "Christian," to take the Bible itself as their only creed, and to allow each church to govern itself.

A little later, in the year 1801, Rev. Abner Jones and a few faithful followers in New England, left the Baptist church; while still later, in 1803, Rev. Barton W. Stone and others, in the West, renounced the faith of the Presbyterian church. The causes of both these separations were similar to those that actuated O'Kelly in the South a few years earlier; and they, too, adopted the name "Christian," took the Bible as their only creed, and recognized the independence of each individual churce. It

is a singular and suggestive fact that no one of these three bodies knew of the similar action of the other bodies until some years afterwards. Finally, when communication between the three sections became easier, they soon saw their oneness of purpose, and quickly united their forces in a common cause.

The simultaneous revolt against the autocracy of the three great American churches, though for a time seemingly unimportant, was in harmony with the spirit of the age—a natural outgrowth of the times. It was the idea of independence rising above the social and reaching into the religious life of the world. Others were content with freedom from political tyranny: the Christians went a step further, and demanded freedom from ecclesiastical tyranny.

Their progress was, at first, necessarily slow, as is the case with all reformatory movements. Other denominations were already established, and hence had the power, wealth, and influence of the country at their command. This gave our small, unorganized, ill-equipped band of faithful soldiers whole armies of well-organized and equipped hosts to meet in the battle for religious liberty. But notwithstanding this rather unpromising beginning, we have struggled on in our efforts for what we believe to be right and for the good of humanity. We have had our share of opposition, neglect, and derision, the darts of the enemy have been many and poisoned; but 'we have striven to take unto ourselves the whole armour of God, that we may be able to withstand in the evil day, having our loins girt about with truth, having on the breastplate of righteousness, and our feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; above all taking the shield of faith, wherewith we shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked, and taking the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the spirit, which is the word of God,' we have pressed forward with an unfaltering trust in Him who guides the destinies of all peoples, and success is crowning our efforts.

Interesting Notes.

Rev. James O'Kelly was born in 1734 and died in 1826.

The Christian Church, South, has 105 ministers and 160 churches.

All colleges under the control of the Christian Church are co-educational.

The Christian Sun was established by Rev. D. W. Kerr, at Hillsboro, N. C., in 1844.

Abner Jones organized the first Christian Church in New England, at Linden, Vt., in the year 1801.

"Our Declaration of Principles, Form of Government and Directory for Worship" was written in 1866.

At this time, Revs. J. W. Hatch, Sol Apple, Jubilee Smith, R. H. Holland, and J. W. Wellons are our oldest living ministers.

The General Convention of the Christian Church, South, which meets bi-ennially, will meet with the church at Burlington, N. C., in May, 1896.

The Christian Church in the United States has about 130,000 members, of which number the South has about 25,000—16,000 white and 9,000 colored.

Rev. P. T. Klapp, of Elon College, N. C., is the "father" of the foreign mission movement in the Christian Church, and Rora Womack, of Chatham county, N. C., was the first contributor to the cause. He gave thirty cents—all he had with him at the time he became impressed with the movement.

Our foreign missionaries are Prof. Woodworth and wife, Miss Penrod, Miss Gullett, and Rev. Earl C. Fry.

Christian Memorial Temple, Norfolk, Va., was dedicated in May, 1894. It was erected and named in honor of the re-union of the Christians, North and South.

Elon College was opened in the fall of 1890, and since that time has graduated 21 young men and 6 young ladies. It has a larger attendance this year than ever before.

The first Christian Church organized in the South was O'Kelly's Chapel, in Chatham county, N. C. It was organized in 1794, and named in honor of Rev. James O'Kelly.

In 1854 the Christians, North and South, were divided on account of the slavery question; but in 1890 became reunited, being the first of all the denominations to unite after the war.

We have in the United States 86 Conferences—83 white and 3 colored: 1,550 ministers; 2,075 churches, valued at about $2,250,000; 10 colleges, besides a number of lower grade institutions; and 10 periodicals.

The "Herald of Gospel Liberty", organ of the American Christian Convention, is the oldest religious newspaper published in America, having been started by Dr. Elias Smith, at Portsmouth, N. H., in 1808.

The North Carolina & Virginia and the Deep River Conferences united and divided into three, in the year 1894. These three are now known as, the North Carolina & Virginia, the Western North Carolina, and the Eastern North Carolina.

A Centennial Number of The Christian Sun was published by Hurley & Moffitt in Dec., 1894, commemorative of the one hundredth anniversary of the Christian Church. It was an issue of 10,000 copies, 16 pages each, containing matter historical and expository.

The first Christian Church in the West was organized in 1804, at Springfield, Ky., by Revs. Barton W. Stone, David Purviance, and Richard McNewar.

The Eastern Virginia Conference was organized in 1818, at Holy Neck, Va.

The North Carolina & Virginia Conference was organized in 1825.

The Deep River Conference (now Western North Carolina) was organized in 1864.

The Georgia & Alabama Conference was organized in 1854.

The Virginia Valley Conference was organized in 1868.

The Southern Christian Association was organized at Good Hope, in Granville county, N. C., in 1847.

The Southern Christian General Convention was organized at Union, Alamance county, N. C., in 1856.

The General Convention of the Christian Church, South, was organized at Mt. Auburn, Warren county, N. C., in 1866.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

Twenty-Sixth Annual Session

OF THE

VIRGINIA VALLEY CONFERENCE,

HELD AT ANTIOCH CHURCH, VA.

ANTIOCH CHRISTIAN CHURCH, Rockingham, Co., Va.
August 29, 1895.

The Va. Valley Christian Conference met to-day, Aug. 29, 1895, in Antioch church Rockingham, Co., Va.

Conference was called to order by the secretary.

Devotional services conducted by Rev. E. T. Iseley.

ELDERS PRESENT—E. T. Iseley.

Roll of churches called and responded to as follows:

ANTIOCH—C. H. Swank, R. A. Henton, T. H. Showalter and C. H. Henton.

BETHLEHEM—D. P. Rosenberger.

CONCORD—Not represented.

LINVILLE—Not represented.

On motion, Rev. R. H. Peel, of the E. Va. Christian Conference, was received as a member into this Conference, after which he was elected president of conference. Bro. D. J. Sipe was elected assistant secretary.

On motion of Rev. C. H. Swank, Prof. E. L. Moffitt, of the W. N. C. Conference and editor the Christian Sun, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

By request of conference, the Chair appointed Rev. C. H. Swank, and Bros. R. H. Henton and T. H. Showalter a committee to arrange a schedule for meeting and adjournment, and a committee on entertainment.

On motion, the pastor and delegates of Antioch church were constituted a committee on Religious Exercises.

On motion, Bros. D. J. Sipe and C. D. Maphis, alternates from Linville church and Bro. D. C. Gollady from Concord were requested to act as delegates until the regularly elected delegates shall arrive.

On motion it was agreed to go into the election of fraternal messengers to sister conferences and the following were elected:

To E. VA. CONFERENCE—Bro. J. S. Martz and Rev. R. H. Peel.

To N. C. AND VA. CONFERENCE—Rev. E. T. Iseley and Bro. B. F. Black.

To W. N. C. CONFERENCE—Sister Florence V. Neff and Bro. W. H. Sipe.

To E. N. C. CONFERENCE—Rev. E. T. Iseley.

To GA. AND ALA. CONFERENCE—C. H. Swank and J. S. Kagey.

To VA. CENTRAL—J. S. Martz and D. J. Sipe.

On motion Conference adjourned for preaching by Rev. E. T. Iseley and for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by Prof. E. L. Moffitt.

On motion, Rev. W. R. Berry of the U. B. church was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

The following delegates were enrolled:

BETHLEHEM—J. J. Lincoln and D. C. Strickler.

CONCORD—John S. Martz and J. C. Huffman.

Conference decided to hold its next annual session at Linville.

Prof. E. L. Moffitt was requested to deliver the next annual address and Prof. J. J. Lincoln chosen as his alternate.

The committee offered the following schedule which was adopted.

Meet at 9:30 A. M., and adjourn at 12 M. Meet at 2 P. M., and adjourn at will.

On motion the Chair was requested to appoint a committee of two to make nominations for delegates to the General Convention, which will meet next May. Bros. R. A. Henton and C. D. Maphis were appointed.

On motion all members of standing committees present during the sitting of conference were invited to seats as deliberative members.

Church letters from Antioch and Concord were handed in and read.

On motion, the treasurer of conference was ordered to forward all money in his hands for foreign mission work to the treasurer of Foreign Mission Board.

The committee on Sunday School offered the following report, which after being ably discussed by Profs. J. J. Lincoln and E. L. Moffitt, Bros. C. A. Henton and J. S. Martz, and Revs. C. H. Swank and W. R. Berry, was adopted.

REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTE.

We, your Committee on Sunday Schools, submit our report.

We have Sunday School at each of the four churches in the bounds of this conference, and they are in a fairly prosperous condition—still, much room for improuement. It is with pleasure and thanks to God that we notice the revivals in some of the churches, which have been instrumental in leading some of the Sunday School scholars into the Sauiour's fold. Never has there been a time when our people have seen the necessity of the Sabbath School as now. Therefore, we urge an earnest effort on the part of our pastors, superintendents, and parents in behalf of getting the children into the Sabbath School.

As a committee, we suggest that the officers and teachers be punctual in their attendance, and that the presiding officers be prompt in opening the exercises at the appointed time.

We further recommend the continued use of the Christian literature. We believe there is none suited better for the upbuilding and growth of the Christian Church.

JNO. S. MARTZ,
J. S. KAGEY.

Conference adjourned to meet at 9:30 to-morrow morning.

SECOND DAY, AUG. 30.

Conference was called to order and devotional exercises conducted by the President.

The roll was called and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings read and adopted.

Linville's church letter was handed in and read.

On motion, Rev. K. Roach, of the Va. Central Christian Conference was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

Ministerial reports of Rev. E. T. Iseley and R. H. Peel were handed in and read.

Reports of Fraternal Messengers were called for and Rev. C. H. Swank reported that he had visited the E. Va. Conference,

Bro. B. F. Black reported that he had attended the N. C. and Va. Conference. The Brethren both gave encouraging reports of the work at those places.

Bro. D. C. Strickler was appointed to fill a vacancy in the Religious Literature Committee.

On motion it was agreed to continue the committee appointed at last session, or a similar one, for the establishing of an academy within the bounds of the conference.

Ministerial report of Rev. C. H. Swank was handed in and read.

Bro. J. C. Huffman was appointed to take the place of J. M. Huffman in the Committee on Temperance.

On motion, it was agreed that the Annual Address be delivered to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

Standing committees were appointed as follows:

Executive.—J. S. Martz, C. H. Swank, E. Sipe and M. H Thomas.

Sunday Schools.—J. S. Martz, D. P. Rosenberger and R. A. Henton.

Home Missions.—W. H. Sipe, Miss Hannah Martz and T. H. Showalter.

Foreign Missions.—Misses Ada Swank, Emma Rhodes, Julia Huffman and Mary Pickering.

Moral Reform.—C. H. Swank, D. J. Sipe and Casper Huffman.

Religious Literature.—B. F. Black, D. C. Strickler and J. S. Kagey.

Education.—J. J. Lincoln, D. C. Strickler and C. A. Henton.

To establish an Academy within the bounds of Conference.—E. Sipe, C. H. Swank, D. P. Rosenberger, J. J. Lincoln and J. S. Martz.

The following delegates to the General Convention were elected: Rev. R. H. Peel and Bro. W. H. Sipe; alternates, Rev. E. T. Isely and Prof. J. J. Lincoln.

On motion, Conference adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order by the President. Prayer by Rev. E. T. Isely.

Church letter from Bethlehem was handed in and read.

The report of the Committee on Education was read, and after being discussed by Profs. J. J. Lincoln and E. L. Moffitt and Bro. B. F. Black, was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

The matter of education has gained a wider influence and is engaging the attention of our people more at this period than ever before. Greater efforts are being put forth by our young men and young ladies for a higher standard of education than has ever been projected. Our college at Elon, N. C., enjoys a large patronage, and commands the respect and confidence of other similar institutions. There is much to be done in sustaining this institution of learning. Many parents seem careless and indifferent about the higher education now offered and within the reach of every one. Elon offers inducements to our young men in the ministry that is probably not offered by any other school. There is no special progress nor can there be moral and religious advancement where ignorance predominates. Let us be aroused to a sense of our duty.

Bro B. F. Black, a student of Elon College, came before us for consultation. He is doing well in his studies, and we advised him to pursue his work until he is well prepared for the ministry

If there is any money available we recommend that it be loaned to Bro. Black without interest for a period of time.

We recommend that the matter of raising a fund for the education of young men preparing for the ministry be urged upon the attention of our people.

(2) We recommend that each member of the different churches be assessed 25 cents for this purpose.

J. J. LINCOLN,
C. A. HENTON,
JOHN MARTZ.

The Treasurer's Report was read and adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

HOME MISSIONS.

1895. August 29.		
To cash on hand.	$59.35	
To one note on Rev. C. H. Swank,	34.73	
To one note on Bro. C. A. Henton,	34.34	
	$128.42	

COLLECTIONS AT CONFERENCE.

Antioch,	$23.75	
Bethlehem,	1.10	
Linville,	8 92	
Concord,	3.49	
	$37.26	

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Antioch,	$15.48	
Bethlehem,		
Linville,	3 66	
Concord,	.50	
	$19.64	

CONTINGENT FUND.

Antioch,	$7.75	
Bethlehem,	4.00	
Linville,	2 40	
Concord,	.80	
	$14.45	

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Collections Aug. 29, 1894,	$32.64	
By amt. paid Rev. R. H. Peel		$32.64

CONTINGENT FUND.

Collections Aug. 29, 1894,	$3.72	
By amt. paid Bro. J. S. Kagey,		$3.72

C. D. MAPHIS,
Treasurer.

The report of the Executive Committee was read and adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your committee had one meeting during the interim of this Conference's past and present meetings. The business done by it was to apportion the pastor's salary among the four churches, making a total of $400, and the fixing of the necessary per cent. on property-holding members, at 17 per cent. on the amount of State and county taxes paid the past year, which was duly made known to the several churches; also, your committee by act of its chairman made an effort to procure an order for the incorporation of the Valley

Virginia Conference, but was not able to get it done; the Circuit Court had adjourned when the effort was made. The recommended list of names elected as a board of trustees at your last session was given to an attorney, who will secure the necessary order when the Circuit sits again in October. Your committee also, in accordance with a resolution passed by your body last year, entered into correspondence with Rev. R. H. Peel early last fall, which resulted in his employment as pastor of this Conference at a salary of $400 for the balance of the fiscal year, which time has now expired Your committee also instructed the Treasurer to hold in his hands what cash he had, and use it: pay interest thereon; but return it to Conference at next session.

E. SIPE,
Chairman.

Rev. C. H. Swank, chairman of the committee appointed at last session to confer with a committee of the Eastern Va. Con., in regard to the union of the two conferences, report the result of his visit to that conference in the following letter from Rev. N. G. Newman, Ass't. Sec. of the Eastern Va. Christian Conference.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

TO THE VA. VALLEY CONFERENCE:

Dear Brethren.—We very much regret our inability to grant the request made in the paper presented to us by Rev. C. H. Swank, but according to our form of government we know of no relation that would serve the end desired without interfering in some way with the autonomy of individual conferences. In the case of emergencies such as at the last Conference, the President of the General Convention should make all necessary provision. Your paper has been referred to the Executive Committee of the General Convention. Please accept our Christian greetings. May the Lord prosper his work in your hands.

Done by order of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, assembled at Holland, Va., Oct. 30—Nov. 2, 1894.

N. G. NEWMAN,
Assistant Secretary.

Conference adjourned to meet at 9:30 a. ., to-morrow.

THIRD DAY, AUG. 31.

Conference called to order by the President.

Prayer by the President.

Roll called and minutes of yesterday's proceedings read, corrected and approved.

On motion, all talks were limited to ten minutes.

The report of the Committee on Home Missions was read, and after being discussed by Rev. E. T. Iseley, Bros. J. J. Lincoln and J. S. Martz, was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Home Missions submits the following collections for the past year as follows: Antioch, $23.75; Linville. $8.92; Bethlehem, $1.10; Concord, $3.49; total, $37.26.

We are glad to report that we believe we feel the importance of Home Missions, and would recommend that we as a church should study the subject to find out the best ways to accomplish good. One way we know is for us all to put our hearts more in the work: think of, pray for, and try by every good word and work to bring those who feel sad and neglected to the fold of Christ. We should all deny ourselves some of the luxuries of life that we might have more of our means to do good to our fellow man. We recommend systematic work among our lady members towards raising funds. We would recommend that Conference pay Rev. C. H. Swank $15 for his labors at his mission point.

Respectfully and prayerfully submitted.

W. H. SIPE,

T. H. SHOWALTE.

On motion, the following resolution for the purpose of assisting Bro. B. F. Black in school was adopted:

RESOLUTION ON EDUCATION FUND.

RESOLVED, That in order that Bro. B. F. Black, one of our ministerial students at Elon College, may be enabled to borrow $100 to continue his educational course. The educational fund to be raised by this conference by assessment and subscriptions shall be held by the conference as collateral security to the lender. And that the same shall be paid to the lender with interest thereon three years from date. In lieu of which Bro. B. F. Black is required to return this loan to this conference, without interest, during the first years of his ministerial work. Same to be sucject to the pleasure of the conference for like purpose thereafter.

D. P. ROSENBERGER.

In addition to the above the following was offered and adopted:

RESOLVED, That a committee of one be appointed by the chair to raise fifty dollars or more as an educational fund for the Va. Valley Christian Conference and the same be loaned to Bro. B. F. Black for an indefinite period from date of loan without interest.

Bro. W. H. Sipe was appointed as said committee.

On motion, it was agreed to go into the election of a pastor to serve the churches of this conference, Rev. R. H. Peel was called to serve the churches at a salary of $450.oc.

On motion of Prof. J. J. Lincoln, it was agreed to raise the above amount by the same plan as last year.

On motion, it was agreed to have the minutes of the present session printed in the Christian Annual at a cost

of $15.00. Said amount to be raised from the various churches in proportion to membership.

On motion it was agreed that the churches which have paid their part of contingent fund be allowed to let that fund go to the payment of their part of the cost of publishing of our minutes.

On motion, conference adjourned to listen to the delivery of the Annual Address by Bro. B. F. Black.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

On motion of Prof. J. J. Lincoln the following resolution was passed:

RESOLVED, That this conference tender this church and entire community its hearty appreciation and thanks for their kind hospitality shown us while in their midst.

Bro. D. P. Rosenberger was by request excused from conference.

On motion of Bro. C. A. Henton, the following resolution was passed.

PARSONAGE AND MISSION FUND.

Whereas, the Parsonage and Foreign Missionary Society of Antioch church has now in hand $100 or more; Therefore,

RESOLVED, That we earnestly request the co-operation of the other churches of the Va. Valley Conference in securing the ground and erecting building thereon.

The report of the Committee on Moral Reform was read, discussed by Rev. C. H. Swank and Col. E. Sipe.

REPORT ON MORAL REFORM.

We, your Committee on Moral Reform, would offer for re-adoption the same report edopted by this body in its last annual session, which is as follows:

We, a Christian organization, accepting the name Christian as our only name to be known by and the Bible as our only rule of faith and practice, should and must step to the front if we would do our duty on this vast and important question, namely, moral reform.

RESOLVED, That it is wrong to build churches to teach men the way of life and at the same time license shops to draw them into the way of sin and misery, and eventually ending in death.

2. That it is w ong to license a man to sell that which makes men drink, and then punish the man for being drunk.

3. That it is wrong to license shops to make paupers and then tax sober men to take care of them.

4. That it is wrong to license a saloon to teach vice and immorality, and to tax people for schools to teach virtue and honesty.

5. That it is wrong to derive revenue from a traffic which destroys happi-

ness, making widowed mothers and fatherless children, leaving them on the charities of the people.

6. That it is wrong to vote for men who license a place where your boy can have full access to drink, and then try to teach them it is wrong to drink.

7. That it is wrong to preach charity, honesty and virtue, caring only for your own boys, giving your aid in establishing places to ruin your neighbor's boys, causing their downfall in this world and eternal damnation in the world to come.

8. That we, as a part of Christ's church, follow the teachings of Christ as laid down in the Holy Book, thereby putting down such wrongs as herein mentioned.

C. H. SWANK,
J. C. HUFFMAN.

A minority report was offered by Col. E. Sipe and ordered placed upon the minutes.

MINORITY REPORT ON MORAL REFORM.

Your Committee on Moral Reform regarding the work of the liquor traffic ers as the chief sin, before God and his church on earth, the greatest criminal and crime inducer and superinducer of crime, direct and indirect, known to civilization, we desire to congratulate the last held General Convention of the Christian Church, South upon the wisdom displayed by it in taking from the list of topics to be made the subject of a special committee's report in the several conferences in striking therefrom the word "temperance" and substituting "moral reform." Your committee is of the opinion the liquor sin and nuisance is the only subject in civil reform the church ought to undertake to deal with and fight to its death and beyond resurrection in this so-called free land of ours, now dominated by the liquor minions, supported directly and indirectly by corrupt voters—found more largely in the church than any other separate organization in this country, through party blindness and idolatry, and often indirect bribery, viz: to share in the spoils of office. As the best and only means of killing the liquor traffic we recommend that church people everywhere unite upon the prohibition society's nominees, and move at once to secure nominees in the name of "moral reform" and prohibition in every election henceforth. Who doubts the power of the church to have prohibition speedily if she wants it, and she wants to do right according to her vows or she's no church. Let every preacher cry, Down with saloons and all parties, factions and individuals that favor license policies, plans and bribes in winning elections. Let every preacher openly proclaim his intention of voting the prohibition ticket and his flock will follow. In view of the heinousness of the liquor traffic it is our conviction that any preacher that will not preach prohibition and vote accordingly is unworthy of support. That any preacher who preaches, prays and sings prohibition and then votes the same ticket distillers, "blind tigers" and licensed dealers vote is a hypocrite and dissembler, and ought to be turned out of every pulpit. That any churchman who votes the same ticket that his neighboring liquor trafficer delights to vote is unworthy of any connection with the church, for he thereby enters into fellowship with "the works of darkness."

Respectfully submitted.

E. SIPE.

The report of the committee on Religious Literature was read.

On motion, Prof. E. L. Moffitt was granted as much time as desired in the discussion on this report.

The report was discussed by Profs. E. L. Moffitt and J. J. Lincoln and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

The world to-day needs more and better literature. The church needs it and must have it. No organization can hope to prosper without it. It is the lever that moves the world. A nation without a literature is a nation in darkness and ignorance. A church without a body of literature to represent it is crippled, if not dead. It is through this medium that the world learns of us, and it is by this that we must enforce ourselves,

The Christian Church to-day needs more literature, and a more general reading of what we already have. Seeing the needs, we your committee recommend:

1. That we as a body put forth greater efforts to supply our homes with those books that proclaim our principles and all the blessed truths found in that great Book of books on which we take our stand as a church.

2. That our pastors and people make a special and personal effort to place The Christian Sun, our church organ, in every home in the Conferince before our next meeting. The paper is better now than ever before, and we should rally to its support.

3 That all of our Sunday schools use the literature published by our own Publishing House at Dayton, Ohio.

4. That we encourage by our sympathetic support all efforts to increase the volume of our religious literature along all lines of church belief and church work.

B. F. BLACK,
J. S. KAGEY,
Committee.

The report of the committee on Foreign Missions was read, and after an interesting discussion by Bro. B. F. Black, Prof. J. J. Lincoln and Rev. E. T. Iseley, was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF FOREIGN MISSION COMMITTEE.

Your Committee on Foreign Missions begs leave to report

The contributions from the different churches for foreign work is as follows: Antioch, $15.48; Linville, $3.66; Concord, 50 cents; total, $19.64.

Antioch has given several dollars over the amount she was assessed. None of the churches have done so well as last year.

We regret to find a great lack of interest in the important work of sending the glad news of salvation to those who are yet in spiritual darkness.

We believe information concerning the work we are doing in Japan to be one of the needs of our people. We recommend that this conference require its pastor to make special effort to inform our people and to show each congregation its duty respecting said work. That the churches be asked for not less than the following amounts: Adtioch, $12; Linville, $8; Bethlehem, $12; Concord, $4.

ADA A. SWANK.

Rev. C. H. Swank moved that the conference instruct the Executive Committee to see that the money in the hands of the Treasurer for Home Missions be put to work by placing it in the hands of reliable parties, they giving their notes, with good security, bearing interest from date, making them subject to order of the Executive Committee.

And, That all moneys now loaned out be collected or satisfactory arrangements made with the Ex. Com. by parties holding it, to keep the same.

And, That the Treasurer collect the interest on all bonds at the end of each conference year. Carried.

On motion, the Treasurer was ordered to pay Secretary of conference $6.28

The following motion was offered by Rev. C. H. Swank, and passed: That the remainder of contingent fund $8.17 be used toward payment for the printing of our minutes in the Christian Annual and the remainder for said printing be raised, as was passed by conference by assessment on all the churches as follows:

Antioch, $2.50; Bethlehem, $2.50; Linville, $2.00; Concord, $1.50.

On motion, the assessment for contingent fund was made the same as for last year, 15 cents per member, and the following solicitors appointed for the several churches:

Antioch, Miss Sophia Byrd; Bethlehem, Miss Lydia Pickering; Concord, Miss Gertie Golladay; Linville, Miss Eva Scott.

On motion, it was agreed that all money subscribed for the educational fund, in the special motion to raise fifty dollars, be paid to Bro. W. H. Sipe, and whatever amount is in hand to be loaned at once to Bro. B. F. Black, Bro. W. H. Sipe transacting the business for the conference.

On motion, the Secretary of conference was instruct-

ed to correspond with Rev. D. T. Deans in regard to his report to this body.

The minutes of to-day were read and approved.

Annual report of Rev. C. H. Swank, for the year ending Sept. 1st, 1895.—Work in charge, one mission point; number of sermons preached, 17; pastoral visits, not known; number of prayer meetings held, not known; amount of salary, nothing.—REV. C. H. SWANK.

Annual report of Rev. R. H. Peel, for the year beginning Nov. 1, '94, and ending Sept. 1, '95.—Names of churches in charge, Antioch, Bethlehem, Concord, and Linville; number of sermons preached, 103; prayer meetings held, 10; number of conversions, 112; funerals, 4; marriages, 4; pastoral visits, don't know; amount of salary, $319.47.—R. H. PEEL.

Annual report to the Virginia Valley Christian Conference of the pastoral labors of E. T. Isely, for the year beginning Sept. 1, 1894, and ending Sept. 1, 1895.—I have had no pastoral charges; number of sermons preached, 42; have preached at a mission point and organized a Sunday school; have assisted in seven revival meetings.—E. T. ISELEY.

Annual report to the Virginia Valley Christian Conference of Rev. D. T. Deans.—I am still located in the mountains of Western Carolina. Have no regular charge, as I live nearly 100 miles from any of our churches. Preach occasionally, as my voice will permit. Would have been glad to have met you in annual session. Trust that you will have a full measure of the Holy Spirit in all your deliberations for the advancement of Christ's kingdom and the principles we all so much love. I am yours in brotherly love, D. T. DEANES.

On motion, conference adjourned to meet with the church at Linville on Thursday before the first Sunday in September 1896, at 10 o'clock A. M.

R. H. PEEL, President,
J. S. KAGEY, Secretary,
D. J. SIPE, Ass't. Secretary.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	SECRETARIES, POSTOFFICES	No. Last Session	Received Since	Died	Withdrawn	Expelled	Present M'b'rship	No. in S School	Paid Pastor	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Other Purposes	Total Amt. Paid	Value of Church Property
Antioch	R H Peel	G A Henton, Harrisonburg, Va	92	12	1	1		102	84	$132 10	$23 75	$15 48	$ 54 69	$226 02	$2000
Bethlehem	R H Peel	A W Devers, Mauzy, Va	95	6	2	13	1	85	96	85 91	1 10		7 18	93 19	1000
Concord	R H Peel	J S Martz, Tenth Legion, Va	31	4		3		32	37	28 15	4 50	50		33 15	500
Linville	R H Peel	D J Sipe, Linville, Va	52	21		1	4	68	116	72 06	8 92	3 66	52 10	113 74	1000
Total			270	43	3	18	5	287	333	$318 12	$38 37	$19 64	$113 97	462 10	4500

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

FIFTIETH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

GA. AND ALABAMA CONFERENCE,

HELD AT MT. ZION CHURCH, ALA.

MT. ZION CHURCH, Oct. 3, 1895.

The House was called to order by Rev. C. M. Dollar, President of last session. After prayer the Secretary proceeded to call the roll of ministers and churches.

Ministers Present.—Jubilee Smith, J. L. Neese, J. D. Elder, T. H. Elder, H. W. Elder, M. F. Lett, C. M. Dollar, W. R. Knight, C. G. Malone, D. G. Horn, W. A. Fletcher, G. D. Hunt.

Absent.—J. W. Elder, J. H. Hughes, M. D. Chewning, J. B. Orr, G. M. Hurst, H. M. Abbercombie.

Licentiates Present.—W. D. Davis.

Absent.—W. G. Hurst, C. W. Swann.

The following churches responded with delegates:

New Hope.—G. W. Chewning, W. W. Elder, Luther Smith, and A. G. Osborn.

Beulah.—Dr. J. M. Welch, E. S. Hand, W. M. Hand, and E. L. Mann.

Pleasant Grove.—John Gibson, John Coggins, and L. Mooney.

New Harmony.—T. N. Browning.

Mt. Zion.—W. L. Ward, W. J. George, and S. N. Sledge.

Corinth —B. F. Walker, W. D. Smith.

New Home.—W. T. Collier, H. W. Henderson.

Macedonia.—J. W. Elder, Sr.

McGuire's Chapel.—G. W. Walker, Z. T. Veasy, Chas. Railey.

Christian Home.—W. W. Richardson, and Bro. Lawderdale.

Antioch.—J. J. Fields, W. H. Abbott, W. J. Payne.

Union Grove.—Jessie Crenshaw, and J. B. Hodnett.

Rocksprings.—C. C. Hornsby, T. W. Gray.

Providence Chapel.—R. G. Gilliam, and J. M. Koker.

Forest Home.—J. L. Smith, and E. T. Pike.

Phœnix City, (Beulah).—G. L. Newsom, E. J. Reese, S. S. Winslett, Chas. Flynn.

Orr's Chapel, Christiana, Union Hill, Union Chapel, and Liberty not represented.

The Secretary announced a quorum present.

Proceeded to the election of officers: President, H. W. Elder: Vice-President, M. F. Lett; Secretary, G. D. Hunt; Ass't. Sec. W. J. Payne; Treasurer, Geo. W. Chewning.

Adjourned to hear the introductory sermon by G. D. Hunt.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President in the chair, Conference opened with singing.

On motion, Rev. M. L. Hurley of the Eastern Va. Conference was invited to a seat with us as a deliberative member. Bro. Hurley responded with approprate remarks.

Filling vacancies on Standing Committee.

Temperance.—J. L. Neese, G. L. Newsom, C. H. Stephenson.

Standing of Churches.—R. G. Gilliam.

Standing of Ministery.—Jubilee Smith.

Foreign Missions.—G. W. Chewning.

Religious Literature.—Jubilee Smith, W. W. Elder, Z. T. Veasy.

Church letters and ministerial reports read and adopted.

Bethlehem was received into the Conference, represented by letter.

Revs. C. M. Dollar, and W. R. Knight together, with the deacons of this church, were appointed a Committee on Religious Services during the session.

The Conference invited Rev. M. L. Hurley to preach the Annual Sermon before this body Saturday, at 11 a. m.

On motion, the order of business governing last session was adopted to govern this body.

The President appointed a committee to consider the the propriety of dividing our conference into two or more districts.

Committee.—Revs. J. D. Elder, J. L. Neese, G. D. Hunt, C. M. Dollar, Dr. J. M. Welch.

Adjourned until 9 a. m., to-morrow.

Preaching at night by Rev. M. F. Lett.

SECOND DAY, OCT. 4.

President in the chair, Conference opened with singing and prayer by Rev. J. L. Neese.

Minutes of preceeding day read and adopted.

Report on Standing of the Ministery read. Discussed by Revs. M. L. Hurley, H. W. Elder, G. D. Hunt, J. D. Elder. Adopted.

REPORT ON STANDING OF THE MINISTRY.

We, your committee, beg leave to submit our report.

We find all of our ordained ministers in good standing, and laboring hard. We recommend that the name of Bro. G. C. Heard be dropped from our roll he having joined the Baptists.

Our licentiates are doing good work. We recommend that W. G. Pittman's name be dropped from our roll.

We further recommend that all our ministers, as far as possible, consecrate themselves to the work of preaching the gospel.

G. D. HUNT,
Chairman.

Report of Executive Committee read. Discussed by Rev. C. M. Dollar. Adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

There has been but one item of business to come before us; an accusation against Bro. J. D. Elder, he being my brother, I resigned the chairmanship of

the Executive Committee, and appointed Rev. C. M. Dollar in my place, who made an investigation of the case and pronounced it false.

T. H. ELDER,
Chairman.

Report of Committee on Standing of Churches read. Discussed by J. W. Elder, Sr., Rev. M. L. Hurley. Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STANDING OF CHURCHES.

We find all our churches in good standing, and doing a greater work as a whole than heretofore. Therefore let us be encouraged to still greater work.

J. W. ELDER, SR.,
Chairman.

Report of Committee on Division read. Discussed by Revs. J. D. Elder, T. H. Elder, H. W. Elder, and C. M. Dollar. Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DIVISION.

We recommend that our Conference be divided into three districts as follows:

District No. 1, Macedonia, New Home, New Harmony, Beulah, McGuire's Chapel, Christians Home, and Christiana.

District No. 2, New Hope, Antioch, Forest Home, Mt. Zion, Corinth, Rock Springs, and Pleasant Grove.

Dist ict No. 3, Union Grove, Bethlehem, Phœnix City, Liberty, Union Chapel, Red Hill, and Union Hill. And that the ministers and licentiates be members of the District Meetings in which they reside.

J. D. ELDER.
Chairman.

Adjourned for preaching by Rev. Jubilee Smith.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Presindent in the chair.

Report on Temperance read. Discussed by Revs. H. W. Elder, M. L. Hurley, T. H. Elder, J. L. Neese, C. M. Dollar, Bro. John Gibson, J. W. Elder, Sr. Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

We have nothing new on Temperance to report, the whole field has so often been surveyed that no part has been left unnoticed.

The signal blast of Temperance has been sounded, both in the Old and New Testament, with divine power it has rolled down through the centuries of time, its truths have gone down deep in Christian hearts and taught them that total abstinence is the only sure remedy for this great evil.

We recommend that all our people touch not, taste not, handle not any-

thing which will produce drunkeness, for, whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.

J. L. NEESE,
Chairman.

Report on Foreign Missions read. Discussed by Rev. W. A. Fletcher. Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSION.

We find the Conference assessed $40.00 for the cause, and $14.70 has been paid.

We recommend that this Conference raise the same amount for next year. Our missionaries in Japan are doing a grand work, and we hope our people will rally to their support, and thus obey the command of our dear Lord.

There are other fields that should be occupied by the Christians, and we pray that our people may seek to obey Christ in this great commission.

H. W. ELDER,
Chairman.

Report on Home Missions read. Discussed by J. W. Elder, Sr., Revs. M. L. Hurley, H. W. Elder, J. D. Elder, G. D. Hunt, T. H. Elder, C. M. Dollar, Bro. S. N. Sledge. Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Realizing the great good that has been accomplished through our Home Mission work, we as a denomination should rally to its support.

Notwithstanding the hard times let us give as God has prospered us.

We recommend that Rev. C. M. Dollar be placed in the field as Home Missionary for another year, he to give one-half of his time to the work.

We further recommend that this Conference raise $200.00 next year for Home Mission work.

S. N. SLEDGE,
Chairman.

Conference decided to hold its next annual session with the church at McGuire's Chapel, to convene on Thursday before the 4th Sunday in October 1896.

Adjourned.

Preaching at night by Rev. D. G. Horn.

THIRD DAY, OCT. 5.

President in the chair. Conference opened with singing and prayer by Bro. Edmanson.

Minutes of preceeding day read and adopted.

Rev. T. J. Edmanson was recommended for ordination. The committee on Examination took charge of the matter.

Rev. W. A. Deed, of the M. E. Church, was invited to a seat with us as a deliberative member.

Report on Education read. Discussed by M. L. Hurley.

Report on Religious Literature read. Discussed by Rev. M. L. Hurley and Dr. Jubilee Smith. Adopted.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We, your Committee on Religious Literature, report the following:

Too much importance cannot be attached to this vital and important subject. Religious literature from our own press must be circulated and read. The mind is ever progressing in its nature, and demands religious matter for thought and investigation. Hence, if we do not furnish it for the thoughtful mind of our church, others will. The religious status and denominational character of the young people of the land in years to come depends largely upon the character of the literature they have to read There is no power that shapes and controls the religious character and destiny of people for denominational connection and religious work like the religious matter with which they come in contact. In view of these great facts we call attention to the religious matter of our own church, and strongly urge a hearty support of the same.

1st. We recommend to your earnest and practical consideration The Christian Sun, our denominational organ, published at Raleigh, N. C, as being well worthy of your support. We also call your attention to the fact that in proportion to its circulation in our midst will be our denominational growth and prosperity.

2nd. We also call attention to our denominational books, such as Facing the Truth, The Five Cardinal Principles Defined, Our Form of Government and Declaration of Principles, Christians Not Disciples, Wellon's Family Prayers, Our Children in Heaven, etc. These should have a wide circulation in our midst and among our people.

4th. If the foregoing is not strictly adhered to light literature will be substituted in its place, and religious literature of other denominations will shape and control the destiny of our own people.

4th. We furthermore recommend that a committee of three be appointed in each district, whose business it shall be to receive on deposit the religious literature of our church in connection with the circulation of The Christian Sun, to supply all our local churches through the district meetings and other public gatherings.

JUBILEE SMITH,
W. W. ELDER,
J. W. ELDER,
Z. T. VEAZY.

Adjourned to hear the annual sermon by Rev. M. L. Hurley.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President in the chair. The subject of Education taken up. Discussed by Rev. W. A. Deen of the M. E. Church, Rev. M. L. Hurley. Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

The cause of education is one of the greatest enterprises of the Christian church. Our ministry needs to be thoroughly educated in all the arts and sciences of the day. That they may be thoroughly furnished unto every good work. They are to be teachers and leaders of the people. They should be able to teach the truth—to simplify it--to illustrate it, and to apply it to all classes of men. An educated ministry will encourage the churches of their charge to educate the laity. We hope it will not be long until some of our people shall enter Elon College, and obtain the advantage of that institution; and return to our midst kindled with Holy Zeal to help substantiate the cause of education in our Conference.

H. W. ELDER,
Chairman.

Report on Sunday Schools read. Discussed by Rev. M. L. Hurley, Dr. J. M. Welch, Revs. W. A. Deen, H. W. Elder. Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We find by careful enquires and close examination, that some of our churches have prosperous Sunday schools, while some have none.

We therefore pray God that all of our churches may rise to a plane where they may see the necessity of having such a glorious enterprise as the Sunday school.

D. G. HORN,
Chairmen.

Revs. G. D. Hunt and H. W. Elder were elected as delegates to the General Convention of the Christian Church, South.

The pastors and delegates of the several churches were appointed to collect funds to defray their expenses to the Convention.

Report of Committee on Examination read and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EXAMINATION.

We have carefully propounded the proper questions to Bro. Edmanson and he has given satisfactory answers. Therefore we recommend him to this body for ordination.

JUBILEE SMITH,
Chairman.

Revs. C. M. Dollar, W. R. Knight, and J. D. Elder were appointed as Presbytery.

A resolution of thanks was tendered the people of this community for the kind and hospitable manner in which we have been entertained during the stay with them.

The following committees were appointed to sell our books and distribute our literature in their respective districts:

1st District: J. W. Elder, G. D. Hunt, M. F. Lett.

2nd District: J. D. Elder, C. M. Dollar, J. N. Sledge.

3rd District: W. A. Fletcher, H. W. Elder, D. G. Horn.

Rev. C. M. Dollar was appointed to preach the introductory sermon at the next session of conference.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received from G. D. Hunt, Secretary Ga. and Ala. Christian Conference:

For Minutes	$ 17.30	
Mome Mission	124.06	
Foreign Mission	20.76	
Total	$162.12	
Paid out as follows:		
To Hurley & Moffitt for Minutes		$ 17.30
To C. M. Dollar for Home Mission		124.06
To M. L. Hurley for Foreign Mission		20.12
Total		$162.76

G. W. CHEWNING,
Treasurer.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS,

RESOLVED, That the thanks of this body are due and hereby tendered the people of this community, and members of the church, for the kind hospitality shown us while in their midst.

JUBILEE SMITH,
Chairman.

Following are the Standing Committees:

Executive.—C. M. Dollar, J. D. Elder, J. W. Elder, Jr.

Sunday Schools.—D. T. Stephenson, W. A. Fletcher, W. R. Knight.

Temperance.—J. W. Elder, Sr., E. M. Gay, J. R. Hammond.

Standing of Churches.—M. F. Lett, J. L. Neese, D. G. Horn.

Standing of Ministry.—Jubilee Smith, H. W. Elder, D. G. Horn.

Home Missions.—S. N. Sledge, G. W. Chewning, Dr. J. M. Welch.

Foreign Missions.—W. R. Knight, J. H. Hughes, Walker Pearson.

Religious Literature.—W. F. Price, W. J. Payne, C. W. Swann.

Education.—J. W. Manning, H. W. Elder, C. M. Dollar.

There being no further business conference adjourned.

REV. H. W. ELDER, President,

G. D. HUNT, Secretary.

STATISTICAL TABLE

		REPORTS FOR 1895												ASSESSM'TS FOR 1896	
CHURCHES	PASTORS	No Last Report	Received Since	No Dismissed	No Expelled	No Died	Present No	Paid Pastor	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Other Purposes	No in S School	Value of Church Property	Home Missions	Foreign Missions
Providence Chapel	H W Elder	73	13				86	130 00	4 75		1 60		$500	$13 76	$2 74
Macedonia	J L Neese	36		1			35					48		5 60	1 12
Bethlehem	H W Elder		27				27							4 32	86
Beulah	G D Hunt	85	7		1		91	50 00	11 75	2 60	2 50	30	500	14 56	2 91
Rock Springs	C M Dollar	77	10	5			60	10 00	11 95	2 40	1 60		400	9 60	1 92
Christian Home	M F Lett	20	9	1	3		25	20 00			25		250	4 00	80
New Home	J W Elder	20	4				24	20 00	3 00		1 00		25	3 84	79
Corinth	W R Knight	27	12	1	1		41		3 70					6 56	1 31
Beulah (Jirard)	J D Elder	108	15	13	9	6	91	96 25	16 25	4 27		32		14 56	2 91
Liberty	W A Fletcher	19	28	6			36		2 85	67	2 00			5 66	1 15
Antioch	T H Elder	76	9	1	2		79		7 00		2 00	17	250	12 64	2 52
McGuire's Chapel	J W Elder	69	40	1	1		107	38 75	4 40	42	7 55	25	250	17 12	3 42
New Harmony	J W Elder	60	13	2	2		68	50 00	9 00		1 60		1000	10 88	2 17
New Hope	J D Elder	177	16	7		2	137	50 00	23 26	4 65	11 95	30	800	21 92	4 38
Pleasant Grove	W R Knight	83	4	2	1		69	11 50	2 95		1 00		350	11 04	2 27
Union Hill	C C Heard	17					17							2 72	54
Union Grove	T H Elder	25					25							4 00	80
Union Chapel	J D Elder	100					66	60 00	10 00	4 00				10 56	2 11
Christiana	H W Elder	53					53	25 00						8 48	1 69
Orr's Chapel	J B Orr	7					7							1 12	25
Mt Zion	C M Dollar	51					51		7 00	2 40			250	8 16	1 63
Forest Home	H W Elder	60					60						700	9 60	1 92

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE

SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

EASTERN VIRGINIA CONFERENCE,

HELD AT BERKLEY, VA.

BERKLEY, VA., Oct. 29, 1895.

The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference met here to-day, with the Main St. Christian church, in its seventy-fifth annual session. Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., president of last session, called the body to order.

The roll of elders was called and responded to by the following, viz. J. P. Barrett, J. W. Barrett, H. H. Butler, M. W. Butler, M. L. Hurley, J. T. Kitchen, N. G. Newman, J. W. Rawls.

The churches were represented by delegates as follows:

Antioch—J. A. Barrett.

Berea (Norfolk)—Geo. L. Hanbury, A. R. Evitt.

Bethany—R. T. Vaughan.

Cypress Chapel—E. R. Harrell, A. L. Harrell, Josiah Wilkins.

Damascus—L. S. Parker.

Eure's—S. J. Felton.

Holland—J. T. Daughtry, Miss Myrtie Daughtry.

Holy Neck—W. Q. Peel, A. T. Holland, C. C. Copeland.

Liberty Spring—B. R. Dowdy.

Mt. Carmel—I. W. Duck, R. E. Turner.

Norfolk—R. L. Bunting, A. M. Eley.

Waverly—J. T. Harris.
Windsor—E. T. Atkins.

There being a quorum present, after prayer by Rev. M. L. Hnrley, conference went into the election of officers.

Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., was unanimously elected president for the ensuing year. Rev. N. G. Newman was elected assistant secretary.

On motion the order of business, as it appears in the Annual of 1883, was adopted for the use of the present session.

The annual address to be delivered by Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., was, on motion, deferred until 7:30 o'clock to-night.

Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., of the N. C. and Va. Conference; Rev. J. L. Foster, of the E. N. C. Conference; Dr. W. T. Herndon and Rev. S. B. Klapp, of the N. C. and Va. Conference; Rev. W. J. Laine and R. D. H. Demarest, licentiates of this conference, and Prof. E. L. Moffitt, editor of the Christian Sun, were invited to seats as deliberative members.

Dr. W. T. Herndon and Rev. S. B. Klapp bore the fraternal greetings of the N. C. and Va. Conference to this body. Rev. J. L. Foster bore the greeting likewise of the E. N. C. Conference.

On motion Revs. W. J. Laine and J. W. Rawls were appointed to furnish, for publication, condensed proceedings of the conference to the Norfolk Virginian and Landmark.

A certificate of transfer from the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, of Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., to this conference, was laid before this body. On motion the certificate was referred to the Committee on Education for immediate action.

A petition from the Christian Memorial Temple, Norfolk, Va., asking admission to this conference was received and on motion the church was duly admitted as a member.

Rev. George H. Ray, D. D., pastor of the Chestnut St. M. E. church of this town, was invited to a seat as a deliberative, member and responded in some felicitous remarks.

The Committee on Education, to whom was referred the certificate of transfer of Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., reported, asking that this conference receive him as a member. On motion the report was adopted.

Rev. W. H. Ford of the N. C. and Va. Conference and J. W. Harrell, a licentiate of this conference, were invited to seats as deliberative members.

The following delegates were enrolled:

Berea (Nansemond)—F. M. Arthur.

Bethlehem—J. Z. Yates, E. L. Turner, J. W. Faulk, Lloyd Cooper.

Burton's Grove—E. W. Carroll.

Liberty Spring—T. W. Savage.

Providence—F. L. Portlock.

Suffolk—T. W. Artman.

On motion the following schedule was adopted:

Meet at 10 o'clock a. m., adjourn at 2 p. m., and meet at night at 7:30 o'clock if the business of conference should so require.

Rev. N. G. Newman, T. W. Artman, and Rev. J. W. Barrett were on motion appointed a committee to tabulate church letters.

Ministerial reports were received from the following elders: J. P. Barrett, J. W. Barrett, H. H. Butler, M. W. Butler, M. L. Hurley, J. T. Kitchen, W. S. Long, N. G. Newman, R. H. Peel, J. W. Rawles, W. W. Staley.

Reports were received from the following licentiates of this conference: R. D. H. Demarest, J. W. Harrell, W. J. Laine.

At this time Rev. S. B. Klapp of the N. C. and Va. Conference made a report of his work in the bounds of this conference.

Reports of fraternal messengers to the various confer-

ences were called for. Rev. M. L. Hurley responded that he had attended all the conferences to which he had been assigned, with the exception of the Va. Valley Conference. He stated that the outlook was very bright for the Christian church in the Ga. and Ala. Conference and that in the bounds of that conference there was a grand field for an earnest and consecrated ministry to labor in. None other of the fraternal messengers had attended the conferences to which they were elected.

On motion Rev. M. L. Hurley was elected a fraternal messenger to all the conferences comprised in the General Convention of the Christian Church South. Rev. W. S Long, D. D., was elected a fraternal messenger to the N. C. and Va. Conference. To the Eastern N. C. Conference, Revs. H. H. Butler, J. T. Kitcken were elected fraternal messengers.

Conference decided to hold its next session with the Christian church of Suffolk, Va.

Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., was chosen to deliver the annual address at the next session.

On motion A. M. Eley was elected Collector for the present session.

On motion the chair appointed Revs. N. G. Newman, M. L. Hurley, and J. T. Kitchen a committee to nominate delegates to the General Convention of the Christian Church South.

Rev. N. G. Newman was appointed a Committee on Resolutions.

Education—Dr. W. S. Long, Rev. J. W. Barrett.

Sunday Schools—Dr. W. S. Long, Rev. J. W. Barrett.

Moral Reform—Rev. J. W. Rawls, A. M. Eley, Geo. L. Hanbury.

The Committee on Foreign Mission were granted authority to report at any time when this body was not engaged in special business.

It was decided to have a missionary meeting to-morrow night at 7:30 o'clock in this church under the auspices of Christian Missionary Association.

The pastor and deacons of this church were constituted a Committee on Religious Services.

J. A. Rollison from Barrett's arrived and was enrolled.

A gavel from Prof. Wilkins, leader of the choir of the Christian Memorial Temple, Norfolk, Va., was presented to this conference. On motion the secretary was instructed to tender him a vote of thanks for his kindly gift.

Rev. W. J. Laine was chosen alternate to Dr. W. S. Long in delivery of Annual Address.

The Executive Committee being ready to report, on motion their report was submitted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Since our last annual session your committee has transacted the following business:

1st. On April the 26th we drew on the Treasurer through the Secretary for $20 from the Conference and Publication Fund with which to purchase tracts an missions and giving. $13.65 of this amount was thus spent, and the tracts distributed gratuitously in all the churches of our conference under the direction of the Secretary of the committee. The balance, $6.35, has been returned to the Treasurer to be placed to the credit of the Conference and Publication Fund.

2nd. On July 4th we executed a bond for $1,000 in favor of the Norfolk Church, in the name of this conference.

Respectfully submitted.

J. P. BARRETT,
N. G. NEWMAN,
H. H. BUTLER,
Committee.

Discussed by Revs. N. G. Newman and H. H. Butler and on motion adopted.

After singing Nos. 14 and 5 in Gospel Hymns and prayer by Rev. J. T. Kitchen, Conference adjourned to meet to-morrow at 10 o'clock a. m.

SECOND DAY.

After devotional exercises conference was called to order by the president.

The roll of elders and delegates was called and minutes of yesterday's session were read, corrected, and approved.

Delegates were enrolled as follows:
Ivor—J. W. Brittle.
Union (Surry)—C. W. Whitmore, R. W. Spratley.
Antioch—J. W. Roberts, Sr.
Mt. Carmel—J. H. English.
Oakland—A. L. Saunders.
Berea (Nansemond)—Col. A. Savage.
Berkley—W. H. Butler.

On motion W. A. Slaymaker, pastor of the Presbyterian church of this town, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., Col. A. Savage and T. R. Gaskins were appointed a Committe on Memoirs.

The following were appointed a committee to name a new Board of Trustees for this conference, viz: Col. A. Savage, B. R. Dowdy, and Rev. J. T. Kitchen.

Rev. M. L. Hurley was substituted in place of Dr. C. J. Jones on Committee on Religious Literature.

On motion the report of Committee on Religious Literature was made special order for 12 o'clock to-morrow.

J. T. Haines and J. A. Barrett were added to the Committee on Home Missions.

On motion conference decided to take up such reports as were ready for submission.

The committee to nominate delegates to the General Convention submitted their report. After discussion and some minor changes the report was adopted as follows:

Delegates to the General Convention of the Christian Church, South.

Elders—Revs. J. P. Barrett, D. D., W. W. Staley, D. D., W. S. Long, D. D., M. W. Butler, N. G. Newman, W. J. Laine, J. W. Rawls.

Alternates—Revs. J. W. Barrett, R. H. Holland, H. C. Moore, H. H. Butler, J. T. Kitchen, M. L. Hurley.

Laymen—R. A. Hyslop, A. T. Holland, E. E. Holland, J. F. West, W. J. Lee, Col. A. Savage.

Alternates—F. L. Portlock, I. W. Norfleet, A. T. Lee, T. R. Gaskins, A. M. Eley.

The committee to nominate a new Board of Trustees for this Conference submitted their reports and on motion same was adopted.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

For Trustees of Eastern Virginia Christian Conference: E. E. Holland, W. J. Lee, Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., Rev. N. G. Newman, A. T. Holland.

A. SAVAGE,
B. R. DOWDY,
J. T. KITCHEN,
Committee.

Rev. R. H. Holland arrived and was enrolled.

The following delegates were enrolled:

Holland—P. C. Holland.

Damascus—J. R. Hinton, J. R. Corbett.

Suffolk—E. E. Holland, P. J. Kernodle.

Franklin—A. T. Lee.

Johnson's Grove—J. W. Johnson, J. W. Bradshaw.

Providence—R. A. Hyslop.

Union (Southampton)—Solomon Bradshaw.

The report of Treasurer was received and on motion referred to a committee on finance, composed of the following, viz: Col. A. Savage, Prof. P. J. Kernodle, R. A. Hyslop.

REPORT OF EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE.

Your committee is pleased to notice the continued progress of our educational interests. More of our young people are attending higher institutions of learning, churches are seeking more cultured pastors, and ministers are becoming more ambitious to fully equip themselves for the work.

1. Elon College.—This institution now has the largest patronage in its history. It is steadily growing in numbers and efficiency, and is winning the confidence of the public more each year. We commend its high literary standard, but regret the absence of a Biblical Department, and recommend the establishment of one at the earliest possible date. Our young ministers need more biblical training before entering the work, and we believe that our institution of learning is the place for them to receive it. We earnestly recommend to our people the patronage of Elon College, both as a privilege and a duty; and we further desire to express our gratitude to those who have labored and sacrificed to make this institution a success.

2. The Suffolk and Berkley Collegiate and Military Institutes.—These institutions, though undenominational, are worthy of patronage and have special claims upon us.

Rev W. J. Laine, a licentiate of this body, is an applicant for elder's orders. He is a graduate of Elon College, has taken a post-graduate course at Harvard University, and has had several years' experience in preaching. He

is well recommended by the churches he has served, and has been duly examined by the committee. We therefore recommend that he be ordained during the sitting of this conference.

Rev. J. H. Jones, licentiate, is pursuing the divinity course at Harvard University.

Rev. J. W. Harrell, licentiate, who recently graduated from Elon, has taken work in this conference.

Rev. R. D. H. Demarest, licentiate, failed to report himself to the committee, and we therefore know nothing of his plans or purposes for the future.

4. L. L. Lassiter and I. W. Johnson, ministerial students, are pursuing their studies at Elon under the direction of the committee. We recommend the appropriation of $100 to L. L. Lassiter and $50 to I. W. Johnson to assist them in school the present session.

5. The following young men have presented themselves for membership in the biblical class: George Jackson Green, Daniel Preston Harrell, John Thomas Steele, Jesse M. Roberts, and William Harrison Butler. They are well recommended, and have been duly examined by the committee. We recommend that they be enrolled. George J. Green and Jesse M. Roberts are attending Elon at their own expense. William Harrison Butler is attending the Berkley Collegiate and Military Institute. John T. Steele purposes entering school as soon as possible.

6. We herewith present bond of Rev. W. J. Laine for $525 for money loaned him while in college. Rev. J. W. Rawls has paid $50 on his bond given at last conference.

7. We recommend to ministers wishing to pursue a non-resident course of study the Christian Correspondence College, of which Rev. Martyn Summerbell, D. D., is President.

N. G. NEWMAN,
JAY W. BARRETT,
W. S. LONG,
M. W. BUTLER.

The report was taken up item by item, ably discussed, and on motion adopted as a whole.

Delegates, L. H. Whitley from Isle of Wight C. H., B. H. Laine from Ivor, and D. J. Bowden from Berkley, were enrolled.

The question of Annuals was taken up and made special order for to-morrow morning at 10:30 o'clock.

Rev. M. W. Butler, E. E. Holland, and Rev. J. T. Kitchen were appointed a committee to arrange assessments for the coming year.

The report of committee on Foreign Missions was taken up. Pending the discussion of this report conference adjourned to meet to-morrow at 10 o'clock a. m.

Prayer by Rev. N. G. Newman.

THIRD DAY.

Conference was called to order at the appointed time.

Roll of elders and delegates called and minutes of yesterday's session read and approved.

Discussion was resumed on report on Foreign Missions. On motion action on the adoption of the report was deferred until immediately after the special order of to-day at 12 o'clock.

At the request of Rev. C. J. Jones, D. D., the secretary was instructed to furnish him with a certificate of transfer from this conference.

It was announced that the E. Va. Conference was entitled to three delegates in the Christian Missionary Association.

On motion the secretary was ordered to draw an order on the treasurer in favor of the treasurer of the Christian Missionary Association for $30.00, and that three delegates be appointed to represent this Conference in the next meeting of that Association.

Revs. J. W. Rawls, W. J. Laine, and layman A. T. Holland were appointed said delegates.

The ministerial report of Rev. H. C. Moore was received and read.

The Committee on Assessments submitted their report. After an animated discussion the report was referred back to the committee for revision.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We believe that Sunday school training is one of the essentials to our growth as a church, and is to us a special denominational necessity. The older people in the church need a special time and place for Bible study. The Sunday school is well adapted to this kind of work.

The mind of youth is enquiring—it is a sensitive plate waiting for something to make its impression. If error and sin fall on the plate first, they make their impressions and the plate is partly spoiled. If truth and righteousness are stamped on the mind of youth and correct religious impressions are made there, the child grows up to be of much worth to his church, his country, and his God.

Some of the schools within our bounds are flourishing and need to be complimented; others are "living at a poor dying rate."

We urge pastors, delegates, and visitors to give special attention to this branch of our work. A live, active school means an active, prosperous church.

The Annual Sunday School Convention held in connection with the conference shows the Sunday school spirit to be at work in our midst. At this body the best plans for Sunday school work are discussed, and all this conference needs to do is simply to call attention to the work in a general way.

J. W. RAWLS,
W. S LONG,
J. W. BARRETT,
Committee.

Discussed by Rev. J. W. Rawls and on motion adopted.

The question of Annuals, at this time, was taken up. On motion a committee of three, viz: Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., T. W. Artman, and I. W. Norfleet were appointed to take the matter in hand and report at the earliest practical moment.

The ministerial report of Rev. R. H. Holland was received and read.

Chas. H. Holland, delegate from Holland, arrived and was enrolled.

The special order—report of Committee on Religious Literature—was taken up. After discussion by Col. A. Savage, Rev. J. T. Kitchen, Prof. E. L. Moffitt–editor of the Christian Sun, Rev. M. L. Hurley, Rev. W. H. Ford, of the N. C. and Va. Conference, and Rev. W. J. Laine, the report was on motion adopted.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Every age requires more intellectual and spiritual culture than the preceding one, and he who desires to be a successful worker along these lines must use the means to accomplish his purpose. And if we expect to become eminently useful in the cause of Christ we have no time to lose, So much of our precious time has already been lost that we look back upon it with shameful regret. However, it is not too late for many of us to redeem some of our time. The past has many blessed and precious associations connected with it, but it will not do to let the mind dwell upon it so long—we must be looking forward to larger and grandar achievements. We see the field ripening into abundant harvests. Shall we not go in and take advantage of them? In order that we may do this, more systematic work is imperative.

The Christian Sun, our church organ, stands in a position to-day to forward this work more than any other means at our command, and it becomes our duty as a conference to rally to its support as we have never done before. Under its present management the paper receives the hearty endorsement of the committee and of the public generally. Its literary and spiritual character; its earnest, impartial and fearless advocacy of our principles and enterprises are all that we could ask for. The one remaining need now is for a more hearty co-operation of our people in extending its circulation.

We further recognize and appreciate the efforts of all those who have in any way contributed to the volume of literature representative and promotive of our church and its enterprises

Therefore we recommend, 1st. That as a definite and feasible plan for the extension of the circulation of The Christian Sun, our ministers make a report at each conference of the number of subscriptions sent in during the preceding year.

2nd. That our Sunday schools use the literature issued from the Christian Publishing House at Dayton, Ohio.

3rd. That ministers and laymen do all in their power to circulate such books as "Our Principles and Government," "Facing the Truth," 'Christians Not Disciples," and any others that may contribute to the advancement of our cause.

4th. That so far as possible our people take the Herald of Gospel Liberty and the Christian Missionary.

J. T. KITCHEN,
M. L. HURLEY,
A. SAVAGE,
Committee.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We are compelled to admit God has wonderfully blessed and prospered our work in the foreign land when we consider the limited manner in which we have rendered our missionaries assistance. We now have in Japan five missionaries, six native pastors, eighteen native helpers all together; besides the churches and stations we have nine Sunday schools, the theological school, three schools for children, and they are just opening a correspondence school for the benefit of the native preachers who cannot go to the Tokio school.

The Christian Church, South, averaged last year for this grand work about four cents per member; and our own conference, with all our ability and enlightenment, only about five cents per member. That it is the will of God for us, as a part of the church of God on earth, to send the gospel to the lands that are in darkness no intelligent person can deny. Heathen lands are calling for help, for the light of the gospel of Christ; and the command from God to us is, "Go ye into all the world and preach my gospel to every creature." So then if we fail to do our part to christianize the people who are now in darkness we are in a worse condition than they. We know our duty: they do not. "And that servant which his Lord's will, and prepared not himself, neither did according to his will, shall be beaten with many stripes." But he that knew not, and did commit things worthy of stripes, shall be beaten with few stripes.

The Macedonian cry comes over to us as a part of the church of Jesus Christ from Brazil, India, China, Japan, and others. Besides these, think of the hundreds of tribes of Africa that have never yet heard of the name of Jesus. Think of Turkestan, Afghanistan, Mongolia, Ecuador, Bolivia, and the many unevangelized regions of the world. Shall we not put forth a greater effort this year than ever before to answer these Macedonian calls?

The silver is mine and the gold is mine, saith the Lord of hosts. Not only does the gold and silver belong to the Lord, but, saith God, every beast of the forest and the cattle upon a thousand hills are mine. Not only do our possessions belong to God, but we ourselves. For ye are bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are the Lord's. 1 Cor. 6:20. Shall we then withhold that which belongs to God, and so defeat the church in its God given mission?

As a conference we believe we ought to raise not less than five hundred dol-

lars a year for foreign missions; Therefore, your committee recommends,

1st. That each church be assessed not less than ten cents per member.

2nd That Easter Sunday be set apart as a day of special and united prayer for the success of our foreign work, and that our people may by more thoroughly aroused to the importance of consecrating themselves and their means to the salvation of the whole wor'd.

3rd. That we rally to the support of the support of the Christian Missionary, a monthly now published by Rev. J. G. Bishop at Dayton, Ohio; and that a special effort be made during the sitting of this conference to extend the circulation of the same.

JAY W. BARRETT,
F. L. PORTLOCK,

The report was ably discussed by Revs. J. W. Barrett, W. H. Ford of the N. C. and Va. Conference and others, and adopted with the exception that item No. 1 was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

On motion it was ordered that the secretary be paid annually $20.00, for services, out of the Conference and Publication fund.

The report of committee on Home Missions was submitted. Pending the discussion of this report the hour for adjournment having arrived, on motion conference adjourned to meet to-night at 7:30 o'clock. Religious services by W. S. Long.

NIGHT SESSION, OCT. 31, 1895.

The president called conference to order.

Prayer by Rev. H. H. Butler.

Discussion on the report on Home Missions was resumed. It was moved and carried that the report be taken up item by item. After further discussion and the adoption of the report item by item it was then adopted as a whole.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

During the past year your committee has had under its care the Christian Memorial Temple in Norfolk City. Since its organization in 1890 it has been in the pastoral charge of Rev. C. J. Jones, D. D., General Evangelist of the American Christian Convention, until about the first of last September, when his resignation, handed in April 2nd and accepted at a meeting held April 25th, went into effect. Since that time the work has been in the pastoral charge of Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D. They now have a beautiful and substantial house of worship built at an expense of $22,000, an active membership of about 250 members, a fine and increasing congregation and Sunday school.

At no time since its organization has the outlook been so fraught with promise as at present. Your committee held a joint meeting with the church some time in April and devised a plan by which the entire indebtedness has been provided for.

This conference has assumed, in relieving this important mission of its debt, the sum of $4,000. $3,000 of this amount is due Col. A. Savage, for which he asks that this conference execute to him satisfactory paper, when he will make to this body a deed for the lot on which the church building stands. The other $1,000 is in the form of a bond due Oct. 1st, 1895, made payable to Col A. Savage, Treasurer, and signed by the Executive Committee of conference. In consideration of the transferring of this debt from the church to this conference our demands for larger contributions and an increased treasury are greatly emphasized. The mission has been received into the conference, is now a member of this body and can provide for its own expenses. We recommend:

1. That proper paper be promptly executed to Col. A. Savage, and a safe title to the property secured.
2. That this conference at its present session devise some plan by which to pay the bond of $1,000.
3. That each church composing this conference give at least one Sunday during the next year wholly to the cause of Home Missions.
4. That any church failing to raise the full amount of her assessment next year for Home Missions shall be called upon at our next session to show cause for such failure.
5. That all available funds in hand at the close of the session to the credit of the Home Mission fund be used to pay interest on the bond of $3,000 and to curtail the face of the other bond of $1 000.
6. That we give to the Missionary Association our most liberal support. We believe that the prosperity and success of our missionary cause largely depends upon the success of this association.
7. That we raise at least $1200 during the next conference year. When we consider our great demands, with our ability, this modest sum should be forthcoming.

We believe that if the Lord's portion was placed upon His altar there would be enough and to spare.

"Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings."

M. W. BUTLER,
J. T. HARRIS,
J. A. BARRETT,
E. E. HOLLAND,
R. A. HYSLOP.

On motion a committee of three was appointed to devise means for carrying out the recommendations embodied in the second item of the report on Home Missions. Rev. M. L. Hurley, Col. A. Savage, and I. W. Duck were appointed said committee.

The committee to tabulate church letters submitted their report. On motion the report was received and the secretary instructed to correct all inaccuracies that may

appear. [The report is embodied in the statistical table.—SEC.]

The committee on Moral Reform submitted their report. The report was discussed and failed in adoption.

It was announced that Rev. J. L. Foster of the E. N. C. Conference would preach at 11 o'clock a. m., to-mormow, and that at 12 o'clock Rev. W. J. Laine would be ordained. Rev. M. W. Butler, N. G. Newman, and H. H. Butler constituting on ordaining Presbytery.

Conference adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. J. W. Harrell.

FOURTH DAY.

Conference called to order by the president.

The roll was called and minutes of yesterday and last night's session were read and approved.

The special committee appointed, as to second item in report on Home Missions, reported as follows:

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

We are unable to devise a mode or method to raise the deficiency between amount in hand and amount of note for $1,000 given by Executive Committee, so as to make payment at once, and will have to rely upon funds paid in for present year to liquidate the same.

M. L. HURLEY,
Chairman.

The report was adopted with the following amendment:

Moved that the amount due on bond of $1,000, given July 4th, 1895, after the payment ordered by this conference be dischared from the first available funds to the credit of Home Missions.—N. G. Newman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We have examined the Treasurer's report, and find proper balances brought down and vouchers for all disbursements.

A. SAVAGE,
Chairman.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Wm. H. Jones, Jr., Treasurer, in account with
The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

HOME MISSION FUND.

		Dr.	Cr.
1894.			
Nov. 1.	To balance	$114 87	
Nov. 3.	" Conference collections	503 78	
1895.			
May 30.	" collections from Berea (Nansemond)	60 10	
June 1.	" " " Poly Neck	33 14	
July 5.	" " " Berkley	13 00	
1894.			
Nov. 3.	By cash paid Rev. R. H. Peel		$ 25 00
Nov. 6.	" " " A. Savage		377 06
Nov. 9.	" " " Jno C. Haynes, Treas.		100 00
1895.			
Febry 9.	" " " Jno. C. Haynes, Treas.		100 00
June 7.	" " " " " " "		100 00
Nov. 1.	Balance on hand		22 83
		$724 89	$724 89

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

1894.			
Nov. 1.	To balance	$182 24	
Nov. 6.	" Conference collections	126 39	
1895			
Oct. 23.	" amt. from Rev. J. W. Rawls	50 00	
1894.			
Nov. 8.	By cash paid J. W. Harrell		$ 50 00
Nov. 17.	" " " L L Lassiter		25 00
Nov. 22.	" " " W. J. Laine		50 00
Dec. 11.	" " " I. W. Johnson		25 00
1805.			
Feby 25.	" " " I. W. Johnson		25 00
Mch 9.	" " " J. W. Harrell		50 00
Mch 27.	" " " L. L. Lassiter		25 00
	Balance on hand		108 63
		$358 63	$358 63

CONFERENCE AND PUBLICATION FUND.

1894.			
Nov. 1.	To balance	$48 52	
Nov. 6.	" Confe ence collections	72 40	
1895.			
Jan. 25.	By cash paid Hurley & Moffitt		$80 00
Apl. 23.	" " " Rev. N. G. Newman		20 00
Apl. 30.	" " " T. J. Lawrence		1 75
	Balance on hand		19 17
		$120 92	$120 92

SUPERANNUATED FUND.

1894			
Nov. 1.	To balance	$56 77	
Nov. 6.	" Conference collections	48 08	
	Balance on hand		$104 85
		$104 85	$104 85

FOREIGN MISSION.

1894.			
Nov. 1.	To balance	$358 65	
Nov. 6.	" Conference collections	122 25	
	Balance on hand		$480 90
		$480 90	$480 90

CONVENTION FUND.

1894.			
Nov. 1.	To balance	$52 79	
Nov. 5.	" Conference collections	38 20	
	Balance on hand		$90 99
		$90 99	$90 99

SUMMARY.

Home Missions	$ 22 83
Educational Fund	108 63
Conference and Publication Fund	19 17
Superannuated Fund	104 85
Foreign Missions	480 90
Convention Fund	90 99
	$827 37

Respectfully submitted,

WM. H. JONES, JR.,
Treas. E. Va. Christirn Conference.

The following resolution was offered, discussed, and adopted:

Whereas, Intemperance is one of the greate·t evils of our age, the parent of crime and poverty, the destroyer of peace, the enemy of home and cause of Christ, corrupting morals, dethroning reason, causing tears of sorrow and broken hearts, making orphans and widows, sending thousands of souls annually into eternal perdition; and

Whereas, This great evil is established in almost every town, city and rural district in this good land, and finds protection and license in the laws of our country; and

Whereas, The Word of God, from which no appeal can be taken, is clear, unequivocal, and pronounced against this mammoth vice; Therefore, be it

RESOLVED, 1. That as a body of Christian workers we enter our protest against the manufacture, sale, and use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage.

2. That we urge each pastor to preach at least one sermon during the year on the subject of Temperance.

3. That we recommend the withdrawal of fellowship from any who persist in the manufacture and sale of ardent spirits.

4 That we use diligent and prayerful efforts to restrain men from the habit of moderate drinking.—M. W. Butler.

The Special Committee on Annuals then submitted the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON ANNUALS.

1. We recommend that the money paid in by the churches for Annuals be placed to the credit of the Conference and Publication Fund; and that eighty dollars be appropriated from said fund to pay for 1,000 copies of the Annual; and that the chair appoint a committee of one to furnish a list of names, post offices, and number of copies to be sent; the distribution to be made according to membership in the churches, provided that no church shall receive a smaller number than subscribed for.

2. That the churches be requested to subscribe each year for the number of Annuals they desire, and that the Conference and Publication Fund be relieved of this burden, only as it may see proper to make appropriation for gratuitous distribution.

W. S. LONG,
T. W. ARTMAN,
I. W. NORFLEET,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

Since we last assembled in annual conference one of our number has entered into rest, REV. W. T. WALKER died May 27th, 1895.

Bro. Walker was born in Caswell county, N. C., May, 1844. He was the oldest son of Rev. Geo. G. Walker, of the N. C. & Va. Conference. His mother was the great-grand-daughter of Rev. Jas. O'Kelly, and Bro. Walker seems to have inherited largely the brave and heroic spirit of his illustrious ancestor.

Bro. Walker was educated at Graham Institute under those faithful and devoted men, Revs. John R Holt and A. G. Anderson. He entered this institution in 1854. When the Civil War began, Bro. Walker enlisted and showed himself as true and resolute a defender of his country as the bravest in Lee's army. In that terrible conflict he lost an arm, and this misfortune he regarded as a means, under God, of turning his mind towards a mightier and more important conflict against sin and far the salvation of the world.

At the close of the war he married Miss Lessie Rudd, of Caswell county, N. C., and soon afterwards entered the ministry. He preached in North Carolina for some years, and afterwards served several churches in the Valley Conference, and in 1879 was called to the Christian church in Suffolk, Va., which he served very acceptably until 1882, when he returned to North Carolina. From 1881 ty 1882 he was editor of The Christian Sun. After his return to North Carolina he continued to preach for the church at Berea, Nansemond county, Va., and was pastor of some church in North Carolina. About this time he was made editor of the N. C. Prohibitionist, a paper published in Greenboro, N. C., and in 1888 was a candidate for Governer of North Carolina, being chosen for that place by the Prohibition party of the State. He made a gallant fight, one regarded by the leading men of the State as the most brilliant on record. Bro. Walker was an eloquent preacher, ready debater, firm and true to his convictions and loyal to every obligation he assumed.

RESOLVED, 1. That while we bow in submission to the wish of our Father in Heaven, yet we mourn the loss to us of one so useful, so brave, and so beloved.

2. That we will cherish his memory, and in token of this purpose will enter this brief sketch of his life on our records.

3. That we will, through our Secretary, transmit to his family a copy of these proceedings, with assurances of our condolence and sympathy.

W. S. LONG,
ALEX SAVAGE,
T. R. GASKINS,
Committee.

Tender tributes of esteem and affection were paid the deceased by Dr. W. S. Long, Col. A. Savage, Rev. H. H. Butler, and Dr. J. P. Barrett, and the report was adopted.

The Committee on Assessments for the ensuing year submitted their revised report. After some discussion on motion the report was adopted.

ASSESSMENTS 1896

CHURCHES	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Educational Fund	Superannuated	Conference Fund	Convention Fund	Total Amount
Antioch	$90	15	10	5	5	5	130
Barretts	15	6	5	2	2	2	32
Berea (Norfolk)	50	10	10	3	3	3	79
Bere (Nansm'd)	90	15	15	5	5	5	135
Berkley	25	10	5	3	3	3	49
Bethany	30	5	3	2	4	3	47
Bethlehem	85	20	10	2	3	5	125
Burton's Grove	26	8	3	2	4	2	45
Centerville	10	4	2	1	2	2	21
Cypress Chapel	100	15	10	2	3	5	135
Damascus	55	12	12	2	5	4	90
Eure's	22	6	5	3	3	3	42
Franklin	17	6	5	3	5	4	40
Holland	30	6	5	2	4	3	50
Holy Neck	100	20	10	5	10	5	150
Isle of Wight	17	5	3	2	4	3	34
Ivor	16	5	5	1	4	2	33
Johnson's Grove	16	5	5	1	4	2	33
Liberty Spring	45	8	8	3	4	3	71
Mt Carmel	51	10	10	4	6	4	84
Mt Zion	35	10	5	3	5	4	62
New Lebanon	10	4	4	2	2	2	24
Norfolk	15	10	4	2	5	2	38
Oakland	40	8	10	3	3	3	67
Providence	50	20	10	3	5	4	92
Spring Hill	30	10	10	2	5	4	61
Suffolk	130	25	10	5	5	5	180
Union (Surry)	16	5	5	2	2	2	32
Union (South.)	10	5	5	2	2	2	26
Waverly	35	8	2	2	2	3	52
Windsor	30	6	3	2	2	3	46

The secretary was ordered to draw on the treasurer for $4.28 for bill rendered.

The collector's report was submitted and on motion approved.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Amounts collected during the present session of Conference:

Home Missions,	$755.38
Foreign Missions,	181.42
Educationo Fund,	132 96
Superannuated Fund.	47.91
Conference and Publication Fund,	75.41
Convention Fund,	51 34
	$1,244.42

A. M. ELEY,
Collector.

It was ordered that the funds in hand be sent to the treasurer through Rev. N. G. Newman.

Time for adjournment having arrived, on motion the time was extended until the business of the present session should be completed.

The chair announced the Standing Committees as follows:

Education—W. W. Staley, M. W. Butler, N. G. Newman, W. S. Long, J. W. Barrett.

Home Missions—M. W. Butler, E. E. Holland, R. A. Hyslop. Jno. T. Harris, Jos. A. Barrett.

Religious Literature—Jno. T. Kitchen, A. Savage, M. L. Hurley, B. R. Dowdy, Jno. Z. Yates.

Moral Reform—J. W. Rawls, I. W. Norfleet, J. W. Harrell, T. W. Artman, L. H. Whitley.

Foreign Missions—J. W. Barrett, H. H. Butler, J. W. Johnson, Sr., R. L. Bunting.

Sunday Schools—W. J. Laine, P. J. Kernodle, A. M. Eley, R. H. Holland, J. W. Folk.

Executive Committee—W. W. Staley, N. G. Newman, H. H. Butler.

RESOLVED, That this conference place upon record a hearty expression of gratitude to the pastor, members, and friends of Berkeley church for the very hospitable manner in which they have entertained this conference; also, to the railroads for reduced rates.

N. G. NEWMAN,
Chairman Committee on Resolutions.

The above resolution was adopted heartily by a rising vote.

The chairman of Committee on Resolutions submitted the following resolution which was adopted:

Whereas, Dr. C. J. Jones has transferred his labors to another part of the Lord's vineyard; and

Whereas, Dr W. W. Staley is now on a tour in the East;

RESOLVED, 1st. That we deeply feel their absence from this session.

2nd. That we express our appreciation of the presence and labors of Dr. Jones in our conference, and follow him with our sympathy and prayers.

3rd. That we commend the course of Dr. Staley in travelling amidst Bible scenes and places, for the purpose of better qualifying himself to preach the gospel of Christ, and that we record our earnest prayer for the divine protection in his travels, and a safe return to his home and the work he loves.

The following resolution offered by Dr. W. S. Long was adopted:

RESOLVED, That we earnestly protest against and condemn the growing tendency to immorality as seen in the increased number of divorces, and violations of the Sabbath, gambling, etc., etc.

At this juncture J. C. Haynes was given an opportunity to state to this body the aims and purposes of the Christian Endeavor Society and the necessity of every church organizing a society of this kind.

The minutes of to-day's session were read and approved.

Adjourned to meet with the Christian church of Suffolk, Va., on Tuesday, October 27, 1896, at 11 o'clock a. m.

Preaching by Rev. J. L. Foster of E. N. C. Conference and ordination of Rev. W. J. Laine.

J. P. BARRETT, President,
Norfolk, Va,

T. J. LAWRENCE, Secretary,
South Quay, Va.

STATISTICAL TABLE EASTERN VA. CONPERENCE.

Churches	Pastors	Secretaries and Post Offices	Present No	No Last Report	Received Since	No Dismissed	Withdrawn	No Died	Suspended	No Expelled	Paid Pastor	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Educational Fund	Superannuated Fund	Conference and Publication Fund	Convention Fund	Other Purposes	Total Amount	Value of Church Property
Antioch	J P Barrett	T J Clements, Windsor	320	324	11	9		6			300 00	23 00	5 00	3 00	2 26	5 00	2 00		340 26	2000
Barretts	J W Barrett	J D Pond, Airfield	150	152							98 00	2 60	2 07	1 11			1 60		105 38	600
Berea (Norfolk)	J P Barrett	M W Hollowell, Gt Bridge	147	151	1	1		2	2		350 00	40 00	5 00	6 00	2 00	3 00	1 00	15 00	422 00	1500
Berea (Nansm'd)	N G Newman	F M Arthur, Deanes	155	146	10	1					350 00	90 00	15 00	15 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	50 00	535 00	5000
Berkley	M W Butler	D J Bowden, Berkley	148	131	24	2		2	1		700 00	12 56	8 00	6 00	1 50	1 39	1 50	100 00	830 95	7000
Bethany	J W Rawls	T J Lawrence, South Quay	66	70						4	100 46	25 00	4 00	3 00	1 26	3 00	1 00	20 00	157 72	1500
Bethlehem	H H Butler	J W Folk, Suffolk	303	309	7	1			10	2	200 00	70 00	12 00	6 00	1 00	1 47	1 00		291 47	1500
Burton's Grove	R Charnock	E S Barrett Airfield	107			1	1		3		91 89	15 74						15 74	107 63	1000
Centerville	R Charnock	A T Hatch Disputanta	26					1			43 50								43 50	225
Cypress Chapel	H H Butler	A L Harrell, Cypr'ss Chap'l	306	320	42	4		12	40		225 00	29 13	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00		259 13	2500
Damascus	H H Butler	J R Corbett, Sunsbury, N C	222	260		1		2	39	2	200 00	14 00	2 50	3 00	1 18	1 00	1 00	30 00	252 68	800
Eure's	S B Klapp	W M Sparkman, Eure, N C	130	137			2	2		3	100 00	7 00	1 35	1 74		2 30			112 39	1000
Franklin	J W Rawls	D P Rawls, Franklin	43	44	2		1	1		1	175 00	15 00	6 00	5 00	3 00	5 00	4 00	73 00	286 00	3000
Holland	J W Rawls	Rv R H Holland, Holland	203	193	20	3		3		4	125 00	20 00	6 00	5 00	2 00	4 00	3 00	4 00	169 00	1250
Holy Neck	N G Newman	P L Everett, Holland	488	481	17	5		5			459 89	100 00	20 00	10 00	5 00	10 00	5 00	170 65	780 54	3000
Isle of Wight	J T Kitchen	R L Spivey, Isle of Wight	77	81		1		1	2		90 00	4 50	1 00	1 00	50	50	50		98 00	2000
Ivor	J W Barrett	B H Laine, Ivor	64	60	7			3			60 00	6 00	2 00	2 00	75	1 00			71 75	1000
Johnson's Grove	J W Rawls	J W Johnson, Vicksville	82	101		2	1	2	3	11	100 00	7 50	2 50	2 50	50	2 00	1 00	344 00	460 00	800
Liberty Spring	S B Klapp	T H Parker, S'ge Crossing	208	201	14	3	1	2		1	150 00	18 00	4 00	4 76	1 00	2 00	1 00	55 03	235 79	1500
Mt Carmel	J T Kitchen	R E Turner. windsor	251	283		2		6	10	4	75 00	12 00	12 00	10 00			1 44		110 44	1200
Mt Zion	H H Butler	G w Haughwout, Crit'nd'n	69	75		2				4	150 00	10 00	6 00	3 00	1 00	4 00	1 30	146 70	322 00	2500
New Lebanon	J W Barrett	O V Cockes, Sexton	86	83	8		1		1	3	68 75	5 00	3 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	1 00		82 75	1000
Norfolk	J P Barrett	O Brownell, Norfolk	337	313	28	4					1333 34	10 00	10 00	4 00	2 00	5 00	2 00	1405 67	2772 01	25000
Oakland	H H Butler	A Lee Saunders, windsor	183	158	29			2		2	150 00	32 00	8 00	10 00	3 00	3 00	3 00		209 00	2500
Providence	J P Barrett	F L Portlock, Norfolk	79	76	4				1		500 00	35 00	10 00	5 00	4 00	5 00	3 00	252 00	814 00	2500
Spring Hill	R Charnock	R T west, waverly	119	123	3	3		4			200 00	2 50	50	2 00	50	50	50	25 00	231 50	1000
Suffolk	W W Staley	B F Cutchin, Suffolk	370	359	16	1		4			1200 00	105 00	25 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	6883 00	8238 00	30000
Union (Surry)	J W Barrett	C w whitmore, Dendron	88	98	4	2	2		4	1	72 00	5 00	4 00	3 00	1 00	2 00	2 00		89 00	1000
Union (South.)	J W Rawls	J I Joyner, Isaac	113	118		1	1	2		1	76 10	3 00	1 00	1 00	46	25	50	1 59	73 90	800
Waverly	R Charnock	T w Johnson, waverly	103	83	20						250 00	4 50	4 50	5 85	2 00	2 00	2 00	16 50	287 35	1500
Windsor	J T Kitchen	F C Roberts, windsor	46	51	3	4	3		1		81 25									1500

MINISTERIAL REPORTS

MINISTERS	No Sermons	No Lectures	Prayer Met'gs	Conversions	Pastoral Visits	Funer'l Serm'ns	Marriages	Amount of Salary
J P Barrett	75	30	25	10	*	†	†	1100 00
J W Barrett	60			33	200	2	9	3'4 00
M W Butler	108		48	13	†	5	5	700 00
H H But er	114	20	†	186	263	22	19	900 00
RDuDemrrest	12	7	3		30			
R H Holland	1					3	3	
J w Harrell	58							
M L Hurley	60	13						
J T Kitchen	100		40		*	22	12	350 00
W J Laine	66	3	†			1		
W S Long	26	12	6	5	42	1		
N G Newman	60			27	133	5	4	809 89
J w Rawls	91	3	40	38	†	6	9	625 00
W w Staley	100	40	40		400	12	7	1200 00

† Several. * Unknown.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

WESTERN N. C. CONFERENCE,

HELD AT SMITHWOOD CHURCH, N. C.

SMITHWOOD, GUILFORD CO., N. C., Nov. 6, 1895.

The W. N. C. Conference met here to-day and was called to order by Rev. J. W. Patton, president of last session.

Elders Present.—Revs. H. A. Albright, J. R. Comer, E. H. Jarrell, W. W. Lawrence, J. W. Patton, J. W. Parker, C. C. Peel, W. H. Roach, and P. T. Way.

Licentiates.—Revs. W. N. Hayes, and B. F. Kerns.

Churches.—Antioch (R.)—W. N. Hayes, and J. W. Brady.

Antioch (C.)—Marshal Oldham, and J. B. Beal.

Asheboro—H. C. Rich.

Brown's Chapel—Kelley Williamson.

Big Oak—H. Morgan.

Burlington—J. R. Foster and Flora Sellars.

Christian Union——

Clover Orchard—S. F. Lashley and Samuel Boggs.

Center Grove—C. A. Bland and T. E. White.

Egypt——

Graham——

Graces Chapel——

High Point——

Hank's Chapel—W. O. Farrell, Fred Ray.

Keyser——
Liberty—O. T. Hatch, J. W. Ellis.
Macedonia——
Mt. Zion——
New Center——
New Bear Creek——
New Providence——
Park's X Roads—J. A. Parker, J. R. Parks.
Pleasant Grove—L. E. Brady, E. A. Lowdermilk, and A. L. Brady.
Patterson's Grove——
Pleasant Cross—G. H. Wright, M. W. T. Allred.
Pleasant Ridge—C. L. Stinson.
Pleasant Union——
Pleasant Hill—D. H. Albright.
Popular Branch——
Phillip's Chapel——
Ramseur——
Shiloh——
Smithwood—P. C. Humble and N. Low.
Spoon's Chapel—W. H. McPherson.
Shady Grove——
St. Johns—A. Gaster, James Jarrell.
Staley——
Union Grove—Oscar Brown.
Winder——
Zion——

A quorum being present, conference elected permanent officers as follows, viz.: Rev. H. A. Albright, president, and J. W. Patton, ass't. sec'y.

Rev. W. C. Kennette of the M. P. church was invited to seat as a deliberative member.

On motion the annual address was posponed until tomorrow at 11 a. m.

By request of Rev. W. W. Howard his name was erased from the ministerial roll for the present as he has joined the Cumberland Presbyterians in Tex. Also, Bro.

B. F. Howard's name was dropped.

On motion the church at New Bear Creek was dropped.

The chair appointed Rev. C. C. Peel to fill vacancy of the Committee on Peace and Arbitration.

The pastor and delegates of Smithwood were elected a Committee on Religious Exercises.

A motion to select a place for the next session of conference was lost.

Church letters were called for and read.

Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1:30 p. m., President in chair.

The chair appointed the following brethren to fill vacancies on Committees: Temperance, W. W. Lawrence, and on Sunday Schools, Revs. J. R. Comer and J. W. Parker.

The report of Committee on Peace and Arbitration made a report. Discussed by Revs. C. C. Peel, P. T. Way, H. A. Albright, J. R. Comer, and referred to committee.

Ministerial reports called for and read.

The Committee on Peace and Arbitration made their report.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PEACE AND ARBITRATION.

Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour and the head of the church, is styled "the everlasting Prince of Peace." In the announcement of his advent into the world the angelic host proclaimed "Peace on earth and good will to men." It is therefore the solemn and binding duty of his followers, "as far as it is possible, to live peaceably with all men," and it is enjoined upon them to "seek peace and pursue it." Christianity brings peace to our hearts, peace to our souls, peace to our homes, and peace to the nations of the earth. Strife cannot exist where the religion of Jesus Christ is supreme. And by and through that "peace which passeth all understanding" will finally come that glad day when "the lion and the lamb shall lie down together, and a little child shall lean them." As yet, however, it appears that contentions and conflicts between men and nations will arise. And it is the duty of the church to use all of its influence and powers to bring about a peaceable adjustment of any and all differences, whether personal, local, national or international. As a religious body, we do, therefore, recommend that the civil powers be so used at all times as to prevent, as far as possible, the settlement of any and all difficulties and disputes by force of arms. We recommend further that the proper authorities create boards of arbitration, to render just

and impartial decisions in al such matters of dispute and contention between states and nations, and we believe it to be the duty of all parties to such disputes and contentions to submit their greivances to these boards of arbitration for peaceful settlement. We rejoice in the progress of the peace societies of the world and hail their success as a most favorable sign of a brighter and better day to come. And we hereby solemnly pledge ourselves as a religious body to co operate with any and all societies throughout the world whose object is to promote the principles of peace and arbitration in the adjustment of all questions and difficulties between individuals, states and nations.

Respectfully submitted.

P. T. WAY,
C. C. PEEL,
Committee.

Discussed by Rev. P. T. Way, and C. C. Peel.

Rev. P. T. Way read a paper in regard to church members attending their church services, which paper was referred to a special committe to report to-morrow at 10 a. m.

Committee—Rev. J. R. Comer, C. C. Peel, P. T. Way, J. R. Parks and D. H. Albright.

The chair appointed Bro. L. E. Brady to collect money for Annuals.

The Sec'y, Bro. J. N. Cagle, was elected to look after absent ministers and report at the next session of this body.

On motion, the following, four ministers and three laymen were elected as delegates to the next General Convention, viz.: Revs. J. R. Comer, P. H. Fleming, P. T. Way, C. C. Peel, and laymen W. S. Petty, E. L. Moffitt, and L. E. Brady.

On motion Rev. W. H. Roach was elected to preach the next annual sermon.

Rev. C. C. Peel a fraternal messenger to the N. C. and Va. and Eastern N. C. C. Conferences, reported that these two conferences were in good working order especially the E. N. C. C. Conference.

On motion the following were elected fraternal messengers to the sister conferences:

Eastern Va.—C. C. Peel.
Valley of Va.—J. U. Newman.
Georgia and Alabama—E. L. Moffitt.

Eastern N. C.—J. W. Patton.

N. C. and Va.—C. C. Peel.

Methodist Protestant—Revs. J. W. Patton and P. T. Way.

Rev. G. R. Underwood, of the Eastern N. C. Christian Conference, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

Moved that we meet at 9 a. m., adjourn at 12 m., meet at 1 p. m., and adjourn at will. Carried.

Adjourned. Prayer by Rev. C. C. Peel.

SECOND DAY'S SESSION.

Conference called to order by secretary in the absence of president.

Religious exercises conducted by Rev. M. L. Hurley.

President arrived and took his seat.

Roll was called, minutes read and approved.

Rev. M. L. Hurley was invited to a seat as a deliberative member and fraternal messenger from the Eastern Va. Conference.

Following delegates arrived and were enrolled:

Shiloh—A. A. Albright.

Phillip's Chapel—M. E. Hammer and D. C. Phillips.

Grace Chapel—J. H. Philips.

Egypt—J. A. Gunter and Mrs. W. G. Gunter.

Revs. J. W. Hatch and J. S. Lawrence arrived and were enrolled.

Revs. W. T. Herndon, P. T. Klapp, Prots. E. L. Moffitt and W. P. Lawrence and Bro. L. J. Cox were invited to seats as deliberative members.

Bros. Hiram Freeman and G. T. Cochran, delegates from Shady Grove; J. A. Parks, from Ramseur; J. B. Montgomery, from Graham; and Jas. M. Turner and W. H. Holt, from New Providence, arrived and were enrolled.

Revs. J. U. Newman, C. A. Boone and P. H. Fleming arrived and were enrolled.

On motion, reading of church letters was dispensed with.

Rev. J. W. Patton was selected as alternate to deliver the next annual address.

On motion, chair appointed Rev. O. T. Hatch a committee of one to ascertain whether the delegates to the Southern Christian Convention would attend the sitting of that body.

The Committee on Sunday Schools made their report, which was discussed by Revs. J. W. Hatch, J. S. Lawrence, M. L. Hurley, C. C. Peel, P. T. Way and Bro. L. E. Brady and Dr. D. H. Albright, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Your Committee on Sunday Schools reports that the Sunday school work in the bounds of our conference is in many respects very encouraging. One of these is the increase of agitation: for this your Committee on Sabbath Schools exists in your conference; for this we make our report; for this our Sunday school convention was organized. The importance of the Sunday school work demanded more time than could be given in the conference. Therefore, we would recommend the Sunday school convention of this conference to all our schools and churches. Another is the Sabbath school work has become one of the grandest tributaries to the gospel current of truth, therefore not only forming character, but reegeneration in the soul. Another is the increase of Sabbath school literature. We would recommend each superintendent to see that his or her school is well supplied with Sunday school papers, and especially the lesson helps published at Dayton, Ohio.

We recommend that all our ministers ahd Sunday school delegates attend the Sunday school convention of this conference or send to said convention a written excuse.

J. S. LAWRENCE,
L. E. BRADY,
J. W. PARKER,
Committee.

The hour for the special order having arrived, it was deferred until 3 o'clock p. m., to-day.

The special order for 11 o'clock a. m., having arrived, Rev. C. C. Peel proceeded to deliver the annual sermon. Text: Prov. 30: 24–28.

Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President in the chair.

The following report of the Executive Committee was read and adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We, your Executive Committee, beg leave to report that we have had no business before us upon which action was deemed necessary by us.

P. H. FLEMING,

H. A. ALBRIGHT.

Report of Committee on Division of Funds of the old N. C. and Va. Christian Conferences was read and adopted, as follows:

I, P. H. Fleming, a committee you appointed to look after the division of funds in the hands of Rev. J. W. Hatch, former Treasurer of the original N. C. & Va. Christian Conference, beg leave to report that I was unable to attend the meeting when said division was made, but that Hon. J. H. Fleming made the division, and that Rev. J. W. Hatch, Treasurer of the original N. C. Conference, reported that he had on hand, In cash, $33 94; one note on Bro. Cassidy, $35; one note on Bro. Wicker, $50; one note on Bro. Harward, $35, which amount I instructed Rev. J. W. Hatch to pay over to our Treasurer.—P. H. Fleming.

On motion the committee was discharged.

A note given by Rev. W. C. Wicker having been lost, a letter from him was read stating that he would duplicate the note, and the letter was turned over to the treasurer of this conference in lieu thereof.

A petition from Rev. N. G. Newman, President of the Christian Missionary Association, was read asking that a special hour be set apart for Rev. P. H. Fleming to present the claims of that organization. On motion, 11 o'clock a. m., to-morrow was granted.

The Committee on Temperance submitted its report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee on the subject of temperance makes the following report:

The subject of temperance is one of vast magnitude. Intemperance is the greivous and aggravating sin of our land: one of the greatest hindrances to the gospel of Christ and to the progress of Christianity.

The Bible is positive and plain against this destructive enemy to mankind. Drunkenness is condemned in the strongest terms. This evil is sweeping its hundreds and thousands to an untimely grave, and to eternal torment. God says in His Word, "No drunkard shall inherit the kingdom of God." In the face of these facts we submit the following:

RESOLVED, 1st. That we as a conference will abstain from all intoxicants as a beverage or common drink.

RESOLVED, 2nd. That we will do all in our power to suppress or prohibit the manufacture, and sale, or traffic in intoxicating drinks.

RESOLVED, 3rd. That we, as followers of Christ, will not sell or give our substance—grain or fruit—to be converted into strong drink.

And we further recommend that our churches use unfermented wine in the celebration of the Lord's Supper. And that our ministers be bold and fearless in proclaiming against the untold evils of the liquor traffic. Submitted.

H. A. ALBRIGHT,
L. I. COX,
W. W. LAWRENCE,
Committee.

Discussed by Revs. H. A. Albright, J. S. Lawrence, J. R. Comer, P. T. Way, J. U. Newman, C. C. Peel, Prof. W. P. Lawrence, Bro. L. E. Brady and Rev. P. T. Klapp, and was adopted.

The committee appointed to consider the resolutions presented by Rev. P. T. Way on yesterday reported favorably on same. Report and resolutions discussed by Rev. P. T. Way, Bros. L. E. Brady, W. O. Farrell, Revs. W. T. Herndon, J. R. Comer, Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Rev. P. T. Klapp, P. H. Fleming, C. C. Peel, J. W. Hatch, G. R. Underwood, Bro. O. T. Hatch and J. R. Parks, and on motion said paper was re-referred to same committee with instructions.

On motion, the secretary was instructed to purchase a seal for this conference.

On motion, Rev. J. W. Patton was granted leave of absence for remainder of the session.

Rev. P. T. Way was elected ass't secretary.

On motion, the secretary was instructed to draw an order on the treasury for the sum of five dollars ($5.00) in favor of Rev. J. W. Patton for pastoral services at Liberty as per appropriation made by Home Mission Committee last year.

Conference then went into the selection of a place to hold our next annual session. Asheboro was chosen.

Adjourned. Benediction by Rev. G. R. Underwood.

THIRD DAY SESSION.

Conference met at 9 o'clock a. m., president Albright in the chair. Religious servies conducted by Rev. C. A. Boone.

Roll called; minutes read and approved.

On motion of Rev. C. C. Peel, all speeches on reports of committees were limited to five minutes and same person be allowed but one speech.

The committee appointed to consider the resolutions offered by Rev. P. T. Way presented their report.

On motion of Rev. J. W. Hatch, the report was considered by items. The first item was taken up and discussed by Revs. J. W. Hatch, W. T. Herndon, J. S. Lawrence, M. L. Hurley, Prof. E. L. Moffitt and others.

The hour for the special order having arrived, the above report was left pending in order that Rev. P. H. Fleming might present the claims of the Christian Missionary Association.

On motion, Rev. J. W. Calder and Bro. R. C. Palmer, of the M. E. church, were invited to seats as deliberative members.

On motion, this conference took one membership in the Christian Missionary Association, and Prof. E. L. Moffitt was elected as delegate to that body.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions by Rev. P. T. Way was again taken up. The first item not having been disposed of, it was discussed by Rev. J. S. Lawrence, P. T. Klapp and others.

Motion to reconsider the motion to consider the report by items, and adopt it as a whole was carried.

A substitute for the resolutions was read by Rev. P. H. Fleming, and adopted as follows:

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of this conference insert in the annual church letters the following question among the other questions: "Has your church complied with the requirements of this conference with reference to enforcing Sec. 2 of Chap. 4, relative to your members attending the regular services?"

Revs. W. H. Roach and J. W. Parker asked leave of absence for the remainder of the session. Granted.

The Educational Committee offered its report, which was discussed by Prof. W. P. Lawrence, Rev. C. C. Peel, Rev. Dr. J. U. Newman, Dr. W. T. Herndon and Rev. P. T. Klapp, and adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

1. There is a steady and healthy growth in our educational work. Laymen are demanding an educated ministry, and young men aspiring to this high office are striving to qua ify themselves for efficiency in God's service.

2. Elon College is worthy of our sympathies, financial help, patronage, and influence.

3. We recommend the establishment of first-class preparatory schools at suitable local centres.

3. We recommend as the assessment for education the following:

Antioch, (R) $2 00; Asheboro, 2.00; Antioch, 4.00; Brown's Chapel, 6.00; Big Oak, 4.00; Burlington, 7.00; Christian Union, 5.00; Clover Orchard, 5.00; Centre Grove, 3.00; Egypt, 3.00; Graham, 2.00; Grace Chapel, 4.00; High Point, 4.00; Hank's Chapel, 8.00; Keyser, 3.00; Liberty, 2.00; Macedonia, 2.00; Mount Union, 3.00; New Centre, 5.00; New Providence, 13.00; Park's X Roads, 6.00; Pleasant Grove, 11.00; Patterson's Grove, 3.00; Pleasant Cross, 2.00; Pleasant Ridge, 7 00; Pleasant Union, 2.00; Pleasant Hill, 6.00; Poplar Branch, 2.00; Phillip's Chapel, 3 00; Shiloh, 9.00; Smithwood, 5.00; Spoon's Chapel, 2.00; Shady Grove, 5.00; St. John's, 1.00; Staley's, 1.00; Union Grove, 5.00; Winder, 2.00; Zion, 11.00.

4. Bros. C. P. Davis, L. I. Cox, and Licentiate B. F. Kern met us for consultation as to their future work. Bro. Davis favorably impressed us as to his piety and general knowledge of the fundamental doctrines of the Bible. We recommend that he continue his studies under direction of your committee.

Bro. L. I. Cox is a young man of much promise. We recommend his continuance in college, where he is making gratifying progress; and that $25 be loaned him and his note in usual form without interest be taken for the same.

We recommend that Bro. B. F. Kern continue his studies in connection with his work as a licentiate.

J. U. NEWMAN,
H. A. ALBRIGHT,
C. C. PEEL,
Committee.

Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met at 1 o'clock p. m. President in the chair.

On motion of Rev. P. H. Fleming, the time of meeting for this conference was changed from Wednesday before the second Sunday in November to Tuesday before third Sunday in November.

Bros. J. W. Elliss and J. A. Elliss, delegates from Patterson's Grove, arrived and were enrolled.

The report of the Committee on Religious Literature was read by Prof. W. P. Lawrence.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

There is now more than ever before a hungering after knowledge, especially on the part of the young people in the homes represented in the churches of this conference. This hunger is going to be satisfied by some kind of literature; and the mind, as well as the body, becomes like in its nature to the food it assimilates.

It becomes the duty, therefore, of the leaders in Christian work in the conference to use their influence to have the best religious literature placed in every home. As a basis for definite action we recommend that the following resolutions be adopted:

1. That every minister in the conference having a church or churches find out how many families are represented in his respective churches, how many of these families take The Christian Sun, and that he include the result of his investigation in his annual ministerial report. And, further, that he include in this report the number of subscribers he has sent in to The Sun during the year.

2. That both ministers and laymen use their influence in extending the circulation of The Christian Sun and The Herald of Gospel Liberty.

3. That all our church members be requested to read carefully "The Principles and Government of the Christian Church", "Facing the Truth", "Christians Not Disciples", "Our Children in Heaven", and "The Life and Labors of Rev. W. B. Wellons", all of which books may be purchased from the editor of The Christian Sun, Raleigh, N. C.

4. That the works of Prof. Henry Drummond, H. C. Trumbull, Cuningham Geikie, and Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress are worthy of careful reading especially on the part of ministers and those preparing for the ministry. Any of these books may be obtained from Baker, Taylor Co., New York.

5. That the Holy Bible be studied carefully and systematically, because it is the way-bill to eternal life. And we recommend further that our Sunday schools use our own literature, published at Dayton, Ohio.

Respectfully submitted.

W. P. LAWRENCE,
E. L. MOFFITT,
W. W. LAWRENCE,
Committee

The report was discussed by Profs. W. P. Lawrence, E. L. Moffitt and Rev. M. L. Hurley, and was adopted.

The Committee on Home Missions submitted their report as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

We, your Committee on Home Missions, would report that, while the amount of money at our disposal has enabled us to render but little assistance, even to deserving points, we have an inviting field for home mission work.

We urge our ministers and churches to consider the importance of this branch of our work and come to the rescue. The religion of our Saviour is missionary in its spirit, and we cannot cope with other denominations that are missionary unless we are also.

Many cities and towns within our territory, with large rural districts, are ripe for the principles of the Christian Church; and, had we an efficient man and friends to sustain him, we could soon become more useful in God's lands in saving souls and extending our cause.

We earnestly ask each church to raise not less than the following am unts for the ensuing conference year:

Antioch, (R) $3; Asheboro, 7; Antioch, (C) 4; Brown's Chapel, 6; Big Oak, 5; Burlington, 25; Christian Union, 4; Clover Orchard, 4; Centre Grove, 4; Egypt, 3; Graham, 3; Grace's Chapel, 5; Hank's Chapel, 3; High Point, 5; Keyser, 2; Liberty, 3; Macedonia, 3; Mt. Union, 5; New Center, 6; New Providence, 25; Parks X Roads, 10; Pleasant Grove, 10; Patterson's Grove, 5; Pleasant Cross, 3; Pleasant Ridge, 8; Pleasant Union, 3; Pleasant Hill, 12; Poplar Branch, 3; Phillip's Chapel, 2; Shi oh, 6; Smithwood, 5; Sharon's Chapel, 3: Shady Grove, 6; St. John's, 2; Union Grove, 5; Winder, 1; Zion, 12; Ramseur, 3.

We recommend $25 to aid in securing pastoral service at Ramseur, with Rev. W. D. Harward in charge. We recommend $25 to aid in securing pastoral service at Asheboro, with Rev. P. T. Klapp in charge.

C. C. PEEL,
J. W. HATCH,
P. T. WAY,
Committee.

Discussed by Rev. M. L. Hurley, Bro. J. R. Parks, Revs. C. C. Peel, P. T. Way, W. T. Herndon and Rev. P. T. Klapp, and adopted.

The secretary presented his account for stationary, postage, services, etc., to the amount of $10.32 and, on motion, it was allowed.

Leave of absence was granted Rev. C. C. Peel, Bro. Jno. R. Foster and Misses Flora Sellars and Emma Holt.

On motion, it was decided that we have our minutes printed in the Annuals, that the partial report of the Committee on Annuals be accepted, with instructions to continue his efforts.

Moved that any deficiency occurring in the publication of the Annuals be drawn from the general fund.

On motion, the president was requested to write an article in memory of Revs. A. S. Nelson and W. R. Brown and have same published in The Christian Sun.

On motion, the secretary was instructed to draw an order on the treasury for the amount of $10.00. the membership fee of this conference in the Christian Missionary Association.

The Committee on Foreign Missions submitted its report.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The truly Christian part of the world to-day no longer asks the question: "Am I my brother's keeper?" The spirit of brotherhood that is linking heart with heart and hand with hand in the Christian life has long since taught us that in a certain sense we are each other's keepers. No man liveth to himself and no man dieth to himself. We have certain mutual obligations upon us from youth to old age; and in so far as we are true to these obligations, just so far are we true to these obligations, just so far are we doing God's service. The duty is from man to man, and is not confined to any one community or class. Breadth nor depth of sea, height nor ruggedness of mountain can come as a barrier between man and duty. We have a Christian work to perform here at home and God holds us responsible for its performance. But this is not all: the "go ye into the world and preach the gospel to every creature" is to us as well as to them of old; and to him who ignores this call, a sad day of reckoning is coming. If we cannot go ourselves, we can be represented by our means—we can give to foreign missions. Are we doing this now? And if so, may it be said of each of us, "he hath done what he could"? Certainly none of our churches could answer this question in the affirmative; and, indeed, some of them have done nothing. It is time that we were awaking to the call of duty.

Recognizing our remissness in the past, and desiring to measure up to a higher standard of Christian giving in the future, we recommend:

1. That each church be assessed five cents per member for the foreign mission cause.

2. That a foreign mission day be held in each of our churches for the purpose of interesting church members as to the condition and needs of the foreign fields—the exercises to consist of a short sermon on missions by the pastor, and essays and short prayers by various members of the church.

E. L. MOFFITT,
P. H. FLEMING,
J. S. LAWRENCE,
Committee.

Discussed by Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Rev. P. T. Klapp, and was adopted.

The president appointed the following standing committees:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Peace and Arbitration—report 1st day 1 p. m.—Revs. W. W. Lawrence, J. W. Hatch, and Bro. J. A. Webster.

Executive—1st day 2 p. m.—Revs. J. S. Lawrence, C. C. Peel, and J. W. Patton.

Sabbath School—2nd day 11 a. m.—Rev. C. A. Boone, Bros. L. E. Brady, and B. F. Kern.

Temperance—2nd day 1 p. m.—Revs. P. H. Fleming, J. W. Hatch, J. W. Parker, and S. H. Way.

Foreign Missions—2nd day 2 p. m.—Revs. C. C. Peel, J. R. Comer, and W. H. Roach.

Education—3rd day 11 a. m.—Revs. J. U. Newman, P. T. Way, and J. S. Lawrence.

Religious Literature—3rd day 1 p. m.—Revs. J. W. Patton, P. T. Way, and W. W. Lawrence.

Home Missions—3rd day 2 p. m.—Rev. P. H. Fleming, E. H. Jarrell, J. S. Lawrence, and H. T. Moffitt.

Finance—Bro. J. N. Cagle, J. R. Parks, and Rev. J. R. Comer.

Moved that the agent for Annuals be instructed to turn over to Messrs. Hurley & Moffitt, publishing agents, the amount of money collected for same. Amount $23.40.

On motion, the secretary was instructed to draw an order on the treasurer of this conference for $70.00, Foreign Missions fund, payable to J. A. Mills, Treasurer of the Southern Christian Convention.

RESOLVED, That a vote of thanks be tendered to the p ople of this community for the hospitable manner in which they have entertained this body during its present sitting.

On motion, conference adjourned to meet with the church at Asheboro, Randolph County, N. C., on Tuesday, before the third Sunday in November, 1896, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m.

Prayer and benediction by Rev. P. H. Fleming.

H. A. ALBRIGHT, President,
Moffitt's, N. C.

J. N. CAGLE, Secretary,
Brown's, N. C.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS

MINISTERS	No Churches	No Sermons	No Lectures	Prayer Meet'gs	Funer'l Serm'ns	Marriages	Pastoral Visits	Churches Organized
H A Albright	2	41			1			
M E Hammer	2	53	6		3	2	50	
J W Hatch								
B F Kerns	3	37						
C C Peel	3	123	5	40	6	5	720	
W W Lawrence	3	75			12	3	15	
John W Patton	6	127			5	3	186	
E H Jarrell	2	76		15	2	2	82	
J R Comer	1	36	10	12	2	2		
J W P rker	2	249		40	35	4	2	208
W H Roach		43			4			
P T Way	4	150	1					
W B Richardson	1							

TREASURER'S REPORT.

E. A. Moffitt, Treasurer, in account with
The Western North Carolina Christian Conference.

HOME MISSIONS.

		Dr.	Cr.
1895.			
Nov. 6.	To balance on hand at last conference		$85 07
Nov. 6.	By commissions on above at 1½ per cent	$ 1 27	
	Balance on hand	83 80	
		$85 07	$85 07

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

1895.			
Nov. 6.	To balance on hand at last conference		$106 52
Mar 19.	By cash paid J. A. Mills per order conference	$75 00	
Mar 19.	" commissions on $106.52 at 1½ per cent	1 60	
Mar 19.	" " on $75 at 1½ per cent	1 12	
	Balance on hand	28 80	
		$106 52	$106 52

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

1895.			
Nov. 6.	To balance on hand at last conference		$27 04
1891.			
Nov. 9.	To note on J. R. Comer		22 20
	By commissions on all above at 1½ per cent	$ 75	
1895.			
Nov. 6.	Balance on hand	48 49	
		$49 24	$49 24

CHURCH EXTENSION.

1895.			
Nov. 6.	Collected at last conference		$14 28
Nov. 6.	By commissions on above $14.28	$ 21	
	Balance on hand	14 07	
		$14 28	$14 28

CONFERENCE FUND.

1894.			
Nov. 10.	To cash collected at conference		$ 6 26
Nov. 10.	By order paid J. N. Cagle	$5 30	
Nov. 10.	Commissions on $6.26 at 1½ per cent	09	
Nov. 10.	" on $5 30 paid Cagle	03	
May 7.	To cash collected of J. W. Hatch, former Treasurer of N. C. & Va. Christian Conference		33 94
			$40 20
1893.			
May 9.	To 1 note on W. D. Harward without interest for		35 00
Dec. 5.	To 1 note on Henry Cassaday without interest for		35 00
	By commissions on $33.94 at 1½ per cent	51	
	Balance cash on hand besides the notes	34 27	
		$40 20	

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. MOFFITT,
Treasurer.
By J. W. HATCH.

Churches	Pastors	Secretaries and Post Offices	Present No	No Last Rep	Received Sin	No Dismisse	Withdrawn	No Died	Suspended	No Expelled	Paid Pastor	Home Missio	Foreign Mis	Educational	Church Ext	Contingent	Other Purpo	Total Amou	Value of Church Pro	No Pupils in	No Off and T	Raised by S
Antioch (C)	H A Albright	Lonnie Oldham, Goldstone	79	80	1			1	1		$23 00	$							$300			
Asheboro	P T Klapp	T J Moffitt, Asheboro	29	22	8			1				4 00	6 80	4 36					1500	40	7	14 92
Antioch (R)	W W Lawrence	W W Brady, Cheek's	29	29							12 50	74	35				74		300	20	5	
Brown's Chapel	W W Lawrence	W L Brewer, Spencer	125	128	2		4			1	16 00	2 00	1 50						400	30	5	
Big Oak	H A Albright	R L Williamson, Big Oak	75	75	2	1		1			20 85	1 93	1 00						500		5	
Burlington	C C Peel	I N Walker, Burlington	143	128	17	2					300 00	8 39	8 24			2 09	210 00	539 72	4000	160	13	146 78
Christian Union	J S Lawrence	William Cagle, Why Not	77	85	1		1	2	6		15 00		1 70						200	25	4	
Clover Orchard	A F Iseley	A J Marshburn, Holman's	70	83	2		4	3	8		35 00	4 00	3 32			83		43 15	250	87	6	7 00
Center Grove	G R Underwood	T J Bland, Rosewood	39	42		2		1			33 05	28	2 10			14		35 57	750	34	5	4 45
Egypt	A P Barbee	W M Gunter, Egypt	37	38	1					2		1 05	1 03			37	2 45					
Graham	P H Fleming	J D Kernodle, Graham	21	5	16							1 00					950 00	951 00	1250			
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PROCEEDINGS OF THE

SEVENTIETH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

N. C. AND VIRGINIA CONFERENCE,

HELD AT LONG'S CHAPEL, N. C.

LONG'S CHAPEL, ALAMANCE CO., N. C.,
Tuesday, Nov. 19th, 1895.

The N. C. and Va. Christian Conference was called to order at the above named church to-day by the standing secretary.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. J. W. Wellons.

Elders Present—J. O. Atkinson, T. B. Dawson, H. C. Fulton, W. T. Herndon, J. W. Holt, P. T. Klapp, S. B. Klapp, J. W. Pinnix, W. S. Long, A. F. Iseley, T. W. Strowd, J. W. Wellons.

Licentiates Present—J. W. Fonville, J. S. Carden.

Delegates Present—Apples Chapel—Jas. McIntyre, A. G. Apple, D. L. Thomas.

Bethlehem—David Michael, J. F. Madren, B. L. Simpson.

Bethel—W. H. Pettigrew, Fanny Boswell.

Belews Creek—J. W. Freeman.

Concord—Daniel Garrison.

Durham——

Elon College—Berta Moring, H. C. Simpson.

Goshen Chapel——

Hines' Chapel—S. O. Melvin, R. R. Wyrick, G. W. Apple.

Happy Home—J. W. Foster.

Hebron—T. C. Moore.
Howard's Chapel—G. W. Suits, B. P. Moore.
Ingram—L. J. Chrenshaw, L. E. Carlton.
Kallam Grove—Z. G. Stewart.
Lebanon—J. O. Wells.
Lexington——
Long's Chapel—J. A. Dickey, J. B. Rogers.
Mt. Bethel—T. W. Price.
Mt. Zion—A. F. McAdams.
Pleasant Grove—P. W. Farmer, Lottie Boyd.
Pleasant Ridge—G. C. Wadford, Miss Belle Barker.
Salem Chapel——
Sage Garden—H. H. Holder.
Shallow Ford—G. C. Burke, G. D. Cobb.
Union, N. C.—W. J. Graham, J. A. Graham.
Union, Va.—L. L. Elliot, E. C. A. Tuck.
Haw River—H. V. Simpson.

Rev. P. T. Klapp was chosen president and W. J. Graham ass't secretary.

Revs. M. L. Hurley and W. S. Long from the Eastern Va. C. Conference and C. C. Peel from the W. N. C. C. Conference were received as fraternal messengers from their respective conferences.

Rev. P. H. Fleming and editor E. L. Moffitt were invited to seats as deliberative members from the W. N. C. C. Conference.

Rev. W. H. Ford was invited to a seat as a deliberative member pro tem.

The annual address was delivered by Rev. P. T. Klapp from 1 Cor. iii–9. "For we are laborers together with God."

A note of thanks was tendered Rev. P. T. Klapp for his excellent address.

Conference adjourned for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order.

A number of delegates were enrolled.

Vacancies in standing committees were filled as follows:

Education—J. W. Wellons.

Temperance—T. W. Strowd, W. J. Graham.

Sunday Schools—H. C. Simpson.

A petition from the president of the Christian Missionary Association was read and 2 o'clock p. m., to-morrow set apart to consider the request contained in the petition.

P. W. Farmer was appointed to receive funds for the Christian Annual.

On motion the church letters were called for and read.

On motion, 11 o'clock a. m., to-morrow was made special order to hear the written excuses from delinquent churches as required by action of last conference.

A petition from a new church at Haw River, N. C., was read and the church admitted into the conference and the delegate, H. V. Simpson, enrolled.

Conference adjourned until 9 a. m., to-morrow. Prayer by Rev. J. O. Atkinson.

SECOND DAY.

Conference called to order by the president.

Religious exercises by Rev. J. W. Pinnix.

Proceedings of the first day read and approved.

The expenses of Rev. J. W. Holt to Goshen Chapel, two dollars and seventy cents, was allowed.

Rev. J. W. Wellons was chosen to deliver the next annual sermon with Rev. J. W. Pinnix as alternate.

Rev. A. F. Iseley and delegates from Shallow Ford were enrolled.

The Executive Committee submitted the following which was adopted:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Soon after the close of last session we ordered the Treasurer to pay the expenses of our commissioners to the M. P. Conference at Asheboro, N. C.

We also ordered the payment of Rev. J. W. Holt's expenses to Lexington, N. C.

In February last we admitted Rev. W. H. Ford to membership in our body upon the recommendation of the Educational Committee.

In May we ordered the Secretary of conference to furnish Rev. W. S. Long with a duplicate copy of his certificate of ordination.

In December we ordered the Secretary of this body to draw orders on the Treasurer for thirty dollars in favor of H. H. Cassady and twenty-five dollars in favor of G. C. Wadford from the educational fund.

In the matter referred to us for investigation by last conference we took no action as Rev. D. A. Long withdrew his application soon after the adjournment of last session.

A short time ago we ordered the Secretary to give Rev. W. S. Long a letter of transfer to the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference at his request.

We directed the Treasurer of this body to pay eight dollars and thirty-three cents in favor of Rev. J. L. Foster, being our proportional part of a debt of the old conference before the division.

J. W. WELLONS,
W. T. HERNDON,
J. W. HOLT.

Conference appointed fraternal messengers as follows:

To the Eastern N. C. Christian Conference—Revs. J. W. Wellons, W. Herndon, S. B. Klapp.

To the Western N. C. Christian Conference—Revs. P. T. Klapp, W. T. Herndon, J. W. Holt.

To the Eastern Va. Christian Conference—Revs. W. T. Herndon, J. O. Atkinson, J. W. Wellon, S. B. Klapp.

To the Ga. and Ala. Christian Conference—Revs. W. T. Herndon, J. W. Holt.

To the M. P. Conference—Revs. J. W. Holt, P. T. Klapp, J. W. Wellons.

The following committee was appointed to receive invitations for the next session of this body: Rev. J. W. Wellons, L. E. Carlton, E. C. A. Tuck.

Special order was taken up.

Several excuses were rendered by pastors for their churches failing to send up assessments in full.

On motion the question of a minister's amenability who takes work in conferences other than his own was referred to the General Convention for an answer.

Revs. J. L. Foster, and W. D. Harvard, of the Eastern N. C. C. Conference, and Rev. E. T. Iseley, of the Va. V. C. Conference, were invited to seats as deliberative members.

On motion the secretary was asked to collate the requirements of this body on ministers and churches since the division.

On motion conference adjourned for an hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order.

Rev. N. G. Newman of the Eastern Va. C. Conference was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

Special order next taken up.

The claims of the Christian Missionary Association were presented by Rev. N. G. Newman and others.

By private contribution the conference was given a membership in the Association and W. J. Graham was chosen to represent the conference in the next meeting of the Association.

Report of the Commissioners on Union to meet like representatives from the M. P. Conference was presented and on motion adopted.

REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS.

We, the commissioners of the N. C. Conference Methodist Protestant Church and of the N. C. & Va. Conference Christian Church in joint session, find from our mutual consultation on the subject of organic union, that while there appears to be no doctrinal or governmental principle in the way which could not be adjusted there are certain legal obstructions which appear insurmountable —much to our regret, therefore we find that the utmost which we can expect now to effect is to recommend to our respcetive conferences co-operative union.

We most respecttully recommend co-operation in literary and educational work, in the operations of the pastorate, and in local or conference missions.

We recommend, in reference to our educational interests that a committee of five from each of the above-mentioned conferences be appointed, who together with the trustees of the schools and colleges represented by the conferences shall constitute a commission whose duty it shall be to formulate plans for co-operation.

We recommend some plan similar to the above-mentioned to formulate a basis for co-operation of publicatiens.

We recommend that in case of societies of either conference situated remote from other societies of the same denomination but near to societies of the other denomination, that in such cases they may co-operate with the more convenient societies in arranging for pastoral supply, by consent of the contracting authority.

We recommend to the conferences of the two churches respectively the appointment of committees, with the like special design, viz.: to prevent the "building of altar against altar," as happens when both the Methodist Protestant church and the Christian Church attempt a simultaneous establishment, with material and surroundings which give no promise of success where the two churches appear on the ground, and must be hurtful to one of the two—most likely to both—with no other result of a compensatory nature to justify the separate movement.

The office of this committee would be to consider such movement, where they are known to be in contemplation, and devise if practicable a remedy in

the withdrawal of one of the parties in favor of the other, and the consolidation of effort in the gospel work which each proposed to do separately.

We do not feel prepared to recommend any special plan for co-operation in mission work, but think that the work would suggest its own remedy in the application of the above recommendations.

We recommend that we ask our General Convention to grant the privilege of the co-operative union proposed.

J. W. WELLONS,
W. T HERNDON,
J. W. HOLT,
THOS. W. STROWD,
Committee.

On motion conference adjourned to 9:30 to-morrow.

Benediction by Rev. J. W. Wellons.

THIRD DAY.

Conference called to order by the president. Religious exercises by Rev. W. T. Herndon.

Proceedings of second day read and with some corrections approved.

L. A. Walker alternate from Bethel was enrolled.

Conference proceeded to elect representatives to the General Convention with the following result:

Elders—J. O. Atkinson, P. T. Klapp, J. W. Wellons, J. W. Holt.

Alternates—Revs. W. T. Herndon, T. W. Strowd, S. B. Klapp, W. H. Ford.

Laymen—W. J. Graham, H. V. Simpson, C. G. Maynard.

Alternates—S. A. Holleman, G. S. Watson, E. D. Hines.

G. D. Black, fraternal messenger from the Valley Va. Christian Conference was invited to a seat.

Revs. W. T. Herndon, and Rev. J. W. Wellons were elected fraternal messengers to the Valley Va. C. Conference.

Ministerial reports were called for and read.

Rev. J. W. Wellons was allowed to present an account of his work at Durham, N. C., and was tendered a vote of thanks for the same.

Conference adjourned for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference convened.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Submitted and adopted as follows:

This is a reading age. Political, secular and sensational papers are finding their way to almost every fireside. The church should leave no effort undone to introduce the church paper, and religious literature into every home No family circle is complete without a church paper. We recommend that

1. The Christian Sun, our church organ, edited and published by Prof. E. L. Moffitt, A. M., and Rev. M. L. Hurley, Raleigh, N. C., he most heartily endorsed by this conference.

2. Our ministers in their annual ministerial letters to conference be required to report the number of renewals and subscribers to The Christian Sun they have received or helped to receive during each year

3. That "The Herald of Gospel Liberty" published at Dayton, Ohio, be endorsed as an excellent church paper.

4. "The Christian Missionary" a monthly periodical published by order of the American Christian Convention, under the editorial management of J. G. Bishop, devoted to Home and Foreign Missions be endorsed.

5. Our Sunday schools be earnestly requested to use our own Sunday school literature published by the Christian Publishing House, Dayton, Ohio,

6. The following books be endorsed as well worthy a place in our homes and libraries:

Iola; or, Facing The Truth, by Dr. J. P. Barrett. Christian Not Disciple, by Rev. M. L. Hurley. Five Cardinal Principles of the Christian Church, by Rev. M. L Hurley. Our Children in Heaven, by Rev. James Maple. Family Prayers, by Rev. J. W. Wellons. Natural Law in the Spiritual World, and "Greatest King in The World," by Henry Dummond.

Respectfully summitted.

J. O. ATKINSON,
P. T. KLAPP,
Committee.

The report of the Committee on Education was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We recognize, appreciate and indorse the educational advantages offered at Elon College. Already have our people received an impetus and an inspiration from this source educationally not heretofore experienced in our church. The institution is doing a grand and noble work for an educated ministry and laity. The institution should receive our heartiest support for yet higher usefulness and broader influence.

Academic and secondary schools should also be established and supported in connection with of in neighborhood of our churches and by our people.

In December last Brethren H. H. Cassady and G. C. Wadford then students at Elon College came before us and begged aid that they might be enabled to remain in school till June

We granted Bro. Cassady $30.00, and Bro. wadford $25.00. These brethren remained in school for the rest of the scholastic year. Neither has returned to school this year.

Bro. Wadford came before us during this conference, applying for license. Being unprepared for his examination we advised him to continue his studies and re-enter school at the earliest possible date.

Bro. G. W. Tickle, Biblical student, and now member of the Junior class at Elon College, begged by letter $25 aid. Owing to scarcity of funds and to the fact that Bro. Tickle lives at home near the college we deemed ourselves unable to assist him any financially at present.

Brethren H. H. Cassady, Alfred Apple and James O. Dunn, members of the Biblical class, failed to report to us either in person or by letter. We recommend that the chairman of the education committee communicate with the brethren in order to learn their excuse for this seeming neglect. Bro. J. S. Carden licentiate, of Orange Co., N. C., was before us and begged $40.00 aid to assist him in going to school at Elon College for a year. We recommend that the $40 asked by this brother be granted in $5 monthly instalments after he shall have removed to and entered Elon College.

We recommend the same assessments from the various churches for the education of young ministers as last year.

J. O. ATKINSON,
P. T. KLAPP,
J. W. WELLONS,
Committee.

The Committee on Home Missions substituted the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Since our last report but little has been done towards establishing ourselves in unoccupied sections. Aid has been rendered the Durham church the past year The same point asks for assistance the ensuing year. We recommend $125.

The chairman of the committee visited Goshen Chapel and dedicated a new church on the fifth Sunday in Sept. They ask for help next year. We recommend the payment of the conditional appropriation of $25 made at last conference, but none for the ensuing year. Lexington was also visited by the chairman, but he does not favor any appropriation with the present arrangement.

West Durham gives some promise to our cause as a mission point if we could occupy it. We favor its being served in connection with the Durham church.

Asheville is a point at which we think an effort should be made to establish our cause.

Haw River asks for twenty-five dollars to aid them in securing a pastor for the ensuing year. We recommend an appropriation of that amount from the home mission fund.

We recommend quarterly payments and quarterly reports as heretofore.

We recommend the same assessments, increased by 10 per cent, for home missions and church extension of the past year for the ensuing year, and ask that the amounts be raised if possible.

It seems almost impossible to raise sufficient funds to enable us to prosecute this work vigorously, We need strong men well sustained to insure success in home mission work.

We recommend that the conditional appropriation made to Durham from the balance coming from formur treasurer of the N. C. & Va. Conference be Amount so received $30.94.

We are unable to report any arrangements for preaching at Lexington, as we are informed that the point is unsupplied.

J. W. HOLT,
W. T. HERNDON,
P. T. KLAPP,
Committee.

Pending the discussion of the report conference adjourned until 9:30 a. m., to-morrow.

FOURTH DAY.

Conference called to order by the president.

Minutes of third day read and approved.

The report pending at the time of adjournment yesterday was adopted.

The committee to receive funds for the Christian Annuals reported $21.70. The deficiency to secure its publication was raised by collection.

On motion the secretary was directed to draw orders on the treasurer for the amounts appropriated by this conference.

On motion the extra copies of the Annual were ordered to be sent to the churches that have not subscribed for any and sold if possible and return the amount of same to conference fund.

Rev. W. H. Ford offered the following.

RESOLVED, That this conference memorialize the General Convention of the Christian Church, South, to be held next May to take the necessary steps to group and pastorate the churches within its jurisdiction, the necessity being sorely felt by many of the members of this conference and others, and to provide further that the pastor taking charge of a pastorate shall reside conveniently within the pastorate.

The report on Foreign Missions was submitted and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Those branches of God's church which first accepted the full gospel commission of carrying the good news of salvation into all the world, have been the most prosperous, and are to-day the greatest power for good in this great nation of ours; nor is it strange that any branch of God's church should prosper which obeys the Lord's commands. Neither is it strange that the boundaries of any branch of His church should be kept comparatively small which fails to obey, for God's w rd teaches us that withholding tends to poverty, and giving to riches.

So far as we have been enabled to learn our mission in Japan is doing reasonably well. Our missionaries have some 25 preaching stations, at 17 of which they have converts to the Christian religion; in all a membership of between two and three hundred. They also have a number of flourishing Sunday Schools. Hence we have much to encourage us, but much more to shame us for having done so little for the support of our Japan mission.

The Bible teaches us that the world is to be brought to God through the instrumentality of the church as a human agency, hence the Lord said to his disciples, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

When Christ ascended to his Father he ordained the church as the light of

the world, and the salt of the earth; therefore the responsibility of bringing the sons and daughters of men to God fell upon the church, but we as a people have been comparatively slow to meet said responsibility. Yet the cry is coming from Japan to us almost every week, "Come over and help us." We as a denomination are the more responsible for the salvation of the Japanese because of the adaptiveness of our denominational views to the Japanese mind and character; for they love simplicity, despise quibbles, admire truth, and adore an unselfish idea. The Japanese only want to know what will make their homes happier and brighter, and what will make them a nobler and a more contented people. Therefore the claims of the Japanese are the heavier upon us as a people, because our church government and what we teach comes nearer meeting the demands of the Japanese, perhaps, than those of any other church. The great heathen nation needs and demands the simplest gospel of Christ without human creed; and now what this people needs we as a denomination claim to teach, and challenge the world to disprove.

Wheras, no apology will exempt us from doing our part of the work that is to be done and the sacrifice to be made in bringing the poor heathen into the light of the gospel; Therefore, be it RESOLVED,

1. That we insist on each member of our local churches giving support to this foreign mission enterprise as the Lord prospers him.

2. That each church of this conference be required to have a Missionary Day, the exercises of which are to consist of a sermon, or address by the pastor, missionary songs, talks, essays, or addresses by the members of said church or invited friends, and a collection be taken, and that the pastor report to the conference as to whether said meetings were held.

3. That the churches composing this conference offer special prayer to our Heavenly Father to give us some missionaries from our Southland for the foreign field, and that this subject be made a specialty on said mission day.

4. That each church belonging to this conference shall be assessed not less than ten cents per member.

Respectfully submitted.

P. T. KLAPP,
J. O. ATKINSON,
T. B. DAWSON.

Special committee appointed at last session reported.

We, your committee to look after and receive a 25 per cent dividend from a fund in the Big Fall Cotton Mills and recommend to what fund it should be applied, report:

We recommend provided a Christian church is built at Big Falls that this money be paid to this to aid in building.—Thos. W. Stroud.

Conference adjourned for forty-five minutes.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order.

The president announced the following committee on co-operative union as provided for in the report of the Commissioners appointed at last session: Revs. J. O. Atkinson, W. T. Herndon, J. W. Holt, and Laymen R. T. Kernodle, C. G. Maynard.

The following standing committees were announced by the president:

Education—Revs. J. O. Atkinson, J. W. Wellons, P. T. Klapp.

Home Missions—Revs. J. W. Holt, W. T. Herndon, T. W. Strowd.

Foreign Missions—Revs. W. T. Herndon, W. H. Ford and Bro. Harrison Simpson.

Temperance—Revs. S. B. Klapp, J. W. Pinnix, and J. M. Smith.

Sunday Schools—Revs. T. B. Dawson, A. F. Iseley, and Bro. W. B. Madison.

Executive Committee—Rev. J. W. Wellons, J. W. Holt, J. O. Atkinson.

On motion Rev. P. T. Klapp was added to the committee on Foreign Missions as its chairman.

H. V. Simpson, Revs. S. B. Klapp and T. B. Dawson were appointed a Committee on Finance.

Mt. Bethel was selected as the place of next meeting.

The Committee on Temperance and Moral Reform reported as follows which was adopted:

Intemperance and immorality are inveterate foes to christianity. Intemperance has increased to an alarming extent during the last decade. The amount of liquor sold in 1880 averaged about four gallons per capita, while in 1890 it increased to sixteen Other evils are increasing with equal force, and as the means used to stay the dissipations of humanity have failed to accomplish this object; Therefore,

RESOLVED, 1. That to meet the 250,000 saloon keepers, we deem it necessary to marshal all our forces in order to meet them in one grand crusade. For this purpose we keenly feel the indispensible necessity that the ministers of all denominations, all churches, all temperance organizations and institutions unite in one solid body for God and the salvation of both soul and body and fight mightily to conquer every foe

2. That it is the imperative duty of our government to prohibit the manufacture, exportation and importation of all intoxicating liquors in our country.

3. That the church should lead in this great reformation by doing everything in every prudent way to stop the making, selling and drinking of all intoxicants.

4. That we recommend that our pastors organize a temperance society in each of his churches as soon as possible with a pledge of total abstinence from all intoxicating liquors as a beverage; also to teach purity of life, holiness of heart and cleanliness of mouth in the disuse of tobacco, imprudent language, and all kinds of immorality.

5. That the ministers be requested to teach the necessity of watchfulness against pride as one of the greatest barriers in the way of christian prosperity.

6. That we recommend the use of unfermented wine in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Dr. P. R. Hardee & Co., Virginia, Va., can furnish this conference with such wine if desirable.

S. B. KLAPP,

T. W. STROWD,

W. J. GRAHAM,

The treasurer's report was received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The following was adopted by a rising vote:

RRSOLVED, That this conference tender this church and entire community its hearty appreciation and thanks for their kind hospitality shown us while in their midst.

The Committe on Finance reported and adopted.

We have examined the report and vouchers of the Treasurer and find them correct.

We also recommend tnat all books, vouchers, etc., pertaining to the interest of this body now in the hands of the former Treasurer be turned over to our Treasurer.

H. V. SIMPSON,
T. B. DAWSON,
S. B. KLAPP,
Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Thos. W. Strowd, Treasurer, in acct. with
The N. C. & Virginia Christian Conference.

HOME MISSIONS.

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1894.			
Nov 23.	To amount received at conference	$166 89	
Nov 23.	" cash received for annuals	18 40	
Dec 13.	" " (J. Wellons) Palmyra	48 50	
Dec 18.	By " paid Hurley & Moffitt		$ 41 31
Dec 29.	To " (Sping & Long)	46 89	
Dec 29.	" " (J. W. Hatch)	39 27	
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Jan 16.	" " " W. S. Long		3 60
Jan 16.	" " " J. W. Holt		2 60
Jan 26.	" " " J. L. Foster		8 33
Feb 19.	" " " J. W. Wellons		25 00
May 28.	" " " "		25 00
Sept 4.	" " " "		25 00
Nov 20.	" " " "		25 00
Nov 20.	" " for receipt books		1 00
Nov 20.	To " for annuals	5 60	
Nov 20.	By " paid Treas. com. 1½ per cent		4 80
Nov 22.	" " in bank		159 31
		$325 55	$325 55
1895.			
Nov 22.	To cash in bank	$159 31	
Nov 22.	" " received at conference	149 80	
		$309 11	

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

1894.			
Nov 23.	To amount received at conference	$114 21	
Nov 29.	By cash paid J. A. Mills		$101 92
1895.			
Nov 20.	By cash paid Treas. com. 1½ per cent		1 71
Nov 22.	" " in bank		10 58
		$114 21	$114 21
1895.			
Nov 22.	To cash in bank	$ 10 58	
Nov 22.	" " received at conference	110 71	
		$121 29	

CHURCH EXTENSION.

1894.			
Nov 23	Amount received at conference	$ 53 81	
1895.			
Nov 20.	By cash paid S. B. Klapp		$25 00
Nov 20.	" " " Treas. com 1½ per cent		81
Nov 22.	" " in bank		28 00
		$53 81	$53 81
1895.			
Nov 22.	To cash in bank	$28 00	
Nov 22.	" " received at conference	35 77	
		$63 77	

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

1894.			
Nov 23.	To amount received at conference	$62 60	
1895.			
Jan 9.	By cash paid J. O. Atkinson		$55 00
Nov 20.	" " " Treas. com. 1½ per cent		93
Nov 22.	" " in bank		6 67
		$62 60	$62 60
1895.			
Nov 22.	To cash in bank	$ 6 67	
Nov 22.	" " received at conference	60 61	
		$67 28	

CONFERENCE FUND.

1894.			
Nov 23.	To amount received at conference	$19 82	
Nov 23.	By cash paid J. W. Holt		$25 00
1895.			
Nov 22.	To cash received at conference	19 76	
Nov 22.	By cash paid Treas. com. 1½ per cent on amount for last year		39
Nov 22.	By cash to balance		14 28
		$39 58	$39 58
1895.			
Nov 22.	To cash on hand	$14 28	

THOS. W. STROWD,
Treasurer.

The secretary was directed to draw an order on the treasurer for one hundred and fifteen dollars ($115.00) in favor of J. A. Mills treasurer of the General Convention.

On motion conference appropriated forty dollars to pay for the publication of the Christian Annual and the secretary to draw order for same.

Report on Sunday Schools was handed in and adopted.

REPORT.

So far as we can learn the Sunday schools of most of our churches are in a very good condition. The literature of our own publication is being used more extensively. We recommend that all of our churches use our own literature published at Dayton, O 2. That the pastors of the various churches be present when they possibly can and aid in the S. S. work. 3. That S. S. Superintendents and Teachers should 'study to show themselves approved; workmen that need not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.' 4. That much discretion be exercised in the selection of superintendents and teachers. 5. That all our superintendents and teachers provide themselves, as far as possible, with helps necessary to their qualification for teaching the word of God.

Among other helps we would recommend 'Peloubet's Select Notes', and whatever prepares the head and heart for this great word—the Sunday school—whose end is to win souls for Jesus. Respectfully submitted.

T. B. DAWSON.

On motion conference appropriated twenty-five dollars for the secretary.

The secretary to draw order for the same. The contingent fund to be made sufficient for this order by borrowing the necessary amount from the Home Mission fund.

The treasurer was ordered to call on the treasurer of the undivided conference for all vouchers, papers, etc., which may be in his hands belonging properly to this body.

On motion conference adjourned to meet with the church at Mt. Bethel, Rockingham Co., N. C., on Tuesday after the 3rd Sunday in Nov. 1896, at 10 a. m.

P. T. KLAPP, President.

J. W. HOLT, Secretary.

CONFERENCE REQUIREMENTS OF MINISTERS.

1. To make written excuses for the failure of churches to send up full assessments.

2. To report number of copies of Christian Sun secured by them.

3. To report whether Missionary Day was held or not.

REQUIREMENTS OF CHURCHES.

To have a Missionary Day.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

Sol. Apple.—Had no pastoral charge. Preached occasionally and worked in the Sunday school.

J. O. Atkinson.—Had charge of Catawba Springs, Auburn and Elon College, 72 sermons, 55 conversions, 42 additions, 22 baptized, 700 pastoral visits, salary $225.00.

J. S. Carden.—No charge, 42 sermons, 25 conversions.

T. B. Dawson.—Churches in charge: Howard's Chapel, Kallam Grove, Mt. Bethel. 50 sermons, 10 additions, salary $150.00.

J. W. Fonville.—No charge.

H. C. Fulton.—No charge.

W. T. Herndon.—Financial Agent of Elon College, 70 sermons.

J. W. Holt.—Four churches, 89 sermons, visits 200, salary $360.00.

A. F. Iseley.—48 sermons, salary $26.35.

P. T. Klapp.—Three churches, 75 sermons, visits 251, salary $480.00.

S. B. Klapp.—Four churches, 128 sermons, 47 additions, 450 visits, 30 baptized, salary $460.00.

J. W. Pinnix.—One church, 35 sermons, 19 additions, 100 visits, salary $281.00

J. W. Wellons.—Had charge of Durham, N. C., 142 sermons, 19 additions, 800 visits, salary $328.00.

STATISTICAL TABLE N. C. & VA. CONFERENCE.

Churches	Pastors	Secretaries and Post Offices	No Last Report	Received Since	No Dismissed	Suspended	Withdrawn	No Died	No Expelled	Present No	S S Superintendents	Secretaries and Post Offices	No of Schools	No Classes	No Off and Tea	No Pupils in S S	Total	Vols in Library	Use our own Literature	Raised by S S
Apples Chapel	J W Holt	Z chrisman, Liberty Store	213	7	1		2	1		216	Alfred Apple	Company Mills	1	4	8	45	33		yes	10 00
Bethlehem	c c Peel	L D Rippy Altamahaw	361	15	7		2	4		363	W S Sutton	V Pritchett, Altamahaw	1	9	14	109	123		yes	25 00
Bethel	T W Strowd	L H walker, Anderson	51	9						60	L A Walker	J S Rasco, Anderson	1	6	6	42	48		yes	3 60
Belews Creek	W D Harward	V O Roberson, Belews	23	5						28	JW Freeman	Mrs T J Preston, Belews	1	6	8	76	84	50	no	8 00
Concord	T W Strowd	J H Jackson, cherryGrove	54	2			5	1		50	J W Massey	w G Massey, Milesville	1		5	40	45		yes	3 00
Durham	J W Wellons	Jas McLennen, Durham	62	19			2	1	1	77	IRDickerson	J H Edwards, Durham	1	5	12	67	79	62	yes	28 83
Elon College	J O Atkinson	G w Tickle, Elon college	50	12	2		1			59	W H Young	J w Spence, Elon College	1	10	13	137	150		yes	65 00
Goshen Chapel	S B Klapp	S N Gill, Berea	33	3				1	3	32	RTSlaughter	w M Slaughter, Berea	1	4	6	30	36	18	yes	
Hines Chapel	J W Holt	w A Heath, Greensboro	198							209			1				40			
Haw River	c c Peel									26										
Happy Home	J W Holt	J w Foster, Oregon	61	6	3				4	60	W D Wall	J w Foster, Oregon	1	4	6	106	112	50	yes	30 00
Hebron	J W Patton	J w winfree, Virgilina, Va	112	7		2	1	1	2	113	J W Winfree	w H Siggon, Siddon, Va.	2	10	10	100			yes	12 69
Howards Chapel	T B Dawson	w B Madison, wentworth	70				1	1		68	WB Madison	Lillie Baker, wentworth	1	5	12	60	72	75	yes	5 00
Ingram	P T Klapp	J w Adams, Ingram, Va.	59	7					2	64	J C Pierce	J C Pierce, Ingram, Va.	1	4	5	50	55	50	no	15 00
Kallum Grove	T B Dawson	D F wilson, Bason	45			15				30	J H McBride	Jas Kallum, Hogan	1	3	5	40	45		yes	4 00
Lebanon	J W Holt	Dora covington, Semora	117			2	1			114	J M Smith	J O wells, Semora	1	10	14	50	64		yes	
Lexington	J W Parker	O H Rolfe, Lexington	44	7	13					38										
Long's Chapel	P H Fleming	w J Fitch, McCary	102		1		1			100	J W Johnson	C H Roney, Big Falls	1	4	6	48	54		yes	
Mt Bethel	T B Dawson	D I cummings, Bason	73	4	1	34		1		41	J w Knight	T J McCollum, Simpsons	1	2	3	50	53			48 35
Mt Zion	W D Harward	Mrs Brady, Pleasant Grove	59		3					56		[Va								
Pleasant Grove	P T Klapp	C A weatherford, Sora, Va	239	7				3	3	238	D S Farmer	C D S Farmer, News Ferry	1	6	8	56	64		yes	22 37
Pleasant Ridge	J W Pinnix	J H Barker, Summerfield	51							51	T L Highfill	Fannie Nelson, Holt	1	4	6	40	46		no	
Salem chapel	W D Harward	I D Dalton, Salem Chapel	110	10	3					117	H F Samuel	A Marshall, Salem Chapel	1	5	7	53	60		yes	4 80
Sage Garden	J W Parker	J A Holder, Kernersville	19	16		2				32	w H Manuel	G H Hasten, Kernersville	1	4	6				no	
Shallow Ford	W D Harward	w D walker, Burlington	138	4	3		4	1		134	L J Barker	Lena Coble, Elon College	1	4	6	40	46		yes	20 35
Union N C	T W Strowd	J D wilkins, Maywood	268	7	3	1	1	7		263	w J Graham	G R Graham, Union Ridge	1	4	7	40	47		yes	5 00
Union Va	S B Klapp	w N Averett, Virgilina, Va	1 6	29	2	70		3	2	146	J H Overby	A Averett, Virgilina, Va.	1	4	6	50	56	48	no	

FINANCIAL STATISTICAL TABLE 1895											ASSESSMENTS 1896				
CHURCHES	Paid Pastor	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Educational Fund	Church Ext'nsion	Conference Fund	Other Purposes	Total Amount	Value of Church Property	Raised by S S	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Educational Fund	Church Exten-sion Fund	Conference Fund
Apple's Chapel	78 50	7 00	6 00			1 40	24 15	116 55	1200	10 00	16 50	21 60	10 00	6 48	2 16
Bethlehem	173 00	25 50	17 00	10 20	9 20	3 06	22 00	259 96	1500	25 00	33 00	36 30	12 00	10 89	3 63
Bethel	50 00	4 00	2 00	3 00	1 53	51	30 00	91 04	1500	3 60	4 40	6 00	3 00	1 80	60
Belews Creek	30 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	69	23		34 92	450		1 10	2 80	1 00	84	28
Concord	31 00	3 00	1 25					35 25	800	3 00	4 40	5 00	3 00	1 50	50
Durham	201 00	5 00	4 00	2 00	1 86	62	50 00	264 48	1750	28 83	5 50	7 70	2 00	2 31	77
Elon College	52 00	13 50	8 00	5 00		50	27 00	106 00		65 00	14 85	5 90	5 00	1 77	59
Goshen Chapel	30 00	1 00	68	25	25	25		32 43	500		4 40	3 20	1 00	96	32
*Haw River											1 00	2 60	1 00	78	26
Hines Chapel	86 90	5 00	3 50	1 25	1 00	50	50	98 15	800		13 20	20 90	8 00	6 27	2 09
Happy Home	100 00	3 47	3 47			61		107 55	600	30 00	4 40	6 00	5 00	1 80	60
Hebron	108 06	2 80	2 26	1 00	94	1 34	140 64	254 24	800	12 69	9 90	11 30	6 00	3 39	1 13
Howards Chapel	37 15	1 00	55					38 70	700	5 00	6 60	6 80	3 00	2 04	68
Ingram	125 00	8 00	7 00	5 00	1 83	61	45 07	147 44	1200	15 00	8 80	6 40	5 00	1 92	64
Kallum Grove	50 00	50	50					51 00	500	4 00	4 40	3 00	5 00	90	30
Lebanon	125 00	10 00	1 15	1 15	3 90	1 30		142 50	2000		11 00	11 40	5 00	3 42	1 14
Lexington	25 17							25 17	200		1 10	3 80	4 00	1 14	38
Long's Chapel	200 00	8 40	5 90	2 30	1 50	1 00		219 10	1000		16 50	10 00	5 00	3 00	1 00
Mt Bethel	70 00	55	50					71 05	800	4 83	8 80	4 10	4 00	1 23	41
Mt Zion	37 35	1 50	1 50	20				40 55	1000		4 40	5 60	2 00	1 68	56
Pleasant Grove	250 00	25 00	20 00	15 00	6 57	2 17	25 00	343 74	2500	22 37	27 50	23 80	15 00	7 14	2 38
Pleasant Ridge	15 00	1 97	90					17 87	800		4 40	5 10	4 00	1 53	51
Salem Chapel		3 00	2 00	1 00		33			600		8 80	11 00	5 00	3 51	1 17
Sage Garden	25 50	2 50	1 00		75	18		29 93	200		4 40	3 20	2 00	96	32
Shallow Ford	50 00	6 00	2 00	5 00	4 56	1 52		69 08	1200	20 35	6 60	13 40	5 00	4 02	1 34
Union	200 00	16 00	12 00	5 55		2 63		236 18	500	5 00	25 00	26 30	12 00	7 89	2 63
Union (Va)	175 00	4 61	2 55	1 71	1 25	1 00	50 00	236 12	1000		11 00	14 60	5 00	4 38	1 46

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

EASTERN N. C. CONFERENCE,

HELD AT LIBERTY CHURCH, N. C.

LIBERTY CHRISTIAN CHURCH,
Vance Co., N. C., Nov. 29, 1895.

The Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference met in second annual session at 10:30 a. m.

The congregation sang, "Jesus lover of my soul." The standing secretary, in the absence of the president of last session, called the conference to order.

Rev. J. A. Jones conducted the religious exercises, lesson, 2 Cor. 5, and prayer.

Fraternal and thanksgiving remarks were made by Revs. J. A. Jones, J. D. Wicker, and deacons A. Moring, W. T. Young. Prayer by Rev. M. L. Hurley; also Revs. J. W. Wellons and W. T. Herndon made most interesting and practical remarks relative the past and future progress and work of the Christian church.

The roll of elders called with the following response: W. G. Clement, Jas. L. Foster, J. A. Jones, G. R. Underwood, J. D. Wicker, and M. L. Winston.

Roll of churches called and the following delegates responded.

Antioch—C. H. Harris.
Auburn—J. E. Langston.
Amelia——
Beulah—J. T. Hagwood, Miss Willie Hunt.
Bethany——

Catawba Springs—M. C. Sorrell.
Christian Chapel—L. S. Mann.
Christian Light——
Damascus—M. A. McCauley, I. W. Pritchard.
Ebenzer—J. H. Fleming.
Good Hope——
Hayes' Chapel——
Liberty—H. R. Hagle, B. R. Eaves.
Mt. Auburn—J. A. Kimball, W. B. Turnstall.
Mt. Carmel—B. G. Morton, J. W. Mitchell.
Mt. Hermon—C. H. Johnson.
Martha's Chapel——
Moore Union——
Morrisville—J. H. Moring.
New Elam——
New Hope—N. M. Rogers.
O'Kelley's Chapel—G. M. Parrish.
Oak Level—A. C. Wicker, R. C. Underwood.
Pleasant Union——
Pleasant Hill——
Pleasant Grove——
Popes Chapel—G. W. Catlett, A. M. House.
Plymouth—J. J. Jordan, F. N. Bridges.
Piney Plain—T. H. Prince.
Raleigh—A. Moring, J. Wayland Jones.
Spilona——
Shallow Well——
Turners Chapel——
Wake Chapel—L. H. Smith, J. E. Ballentine, Miss Ammie Ballentine.
Walnut Grove—Miss Florence Winston, W. M. Jones.
Youngsville—J. C. Winston, W. T. Young.

The roll of elders and churches being completed the conference proceed to the election of officers; Hon. J. H. Fleming, of Raleigh, N. C., was elected president by a unanimous vote and accepted in most fitting remarks.

Rev. W. D. Harward was elected ass't secretary.

Bro. H. R. Hagle made a brief address of welcome, which was responded to by Rev. W. G. Clements.

The following fraternal messengers were received: From the N. C. and Va. Christian Conference, Revs. J. W. Wellons, W. T. Herndon; from Eastern Va. Christian Conference, Rev. M. L. Hurley, and were invited to seats as deliberative members of this body, and each responded in appropriate remarks.

Prof. Emmett L. Moffitt, editor of the Christian Sun, was invited to a seat in this body; also Revs. W. D. Harward, A. P. Barbee, C. C. Williams J. W. Fuquay. Licentiates of this body were invited to seats as deliberative member. Remarks by Editor Moffitt.

Time having arrived the president announced the annual sermon by Rev. G. R. Underwood. Lesson, Luke 5 ch., Rom. 10 ch. beginning 12 verse, read by Rev. W. G. Clements following with prayer. The subject of the sermon, The Fields and Laborers; Text, part of John 4:35, "Lift up your eyes and look on the fields; for they are white already unto harvest." The sermon was full of practical thought and was highly enjoyed by the congregation.

Conference adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President Fleming in the chair.

On motion, Rev. J. A. Whiteman, of the N. C. and Va. C. Conference was invited to a seat as a deliberative member of this body.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The work of the Executive committee for the year has been as follows:

1st. Directed the Treasurer of conference, J. E. Ballentine, to deposit conference money in the Commercial & Farmers' Bank, Raleigh, N. C.

2nd. Took the bond of the Treasurer of conference, J. E. Ballentine, and placed said bond with J. L. Foster, Sec. of conference.

3rd. Instructed the Treasurer of conference, J. E. Ballentine, to place a miscellaneous fund of $13 to the conference fund.

4th. Allowed an account of $12.65 to J. L. Foster, Sec of conference, for stationery, printing, seal, etc. See receipted bills.

W. G. CLEMENTS,
J. A. JONES,
J. D. WICKER,
Committee.

Church letters called and read by the secretary.

Bro. N. M. Rogers from New Hope arrived and was enrolled.

On motion Bros. I. W. Pritchard and W. T. Young were appointed a Committee on Finance.

Bro. J. A. Kimball was appointed to fill vacancy on Committee on Foreign Missions.

The secretary presented account of $488.00 for incidentals during the year which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

By motion the chair appointed the following a committee on assessments: Revs. W. G. Clements, J. D. Wicker, G. R. Underwood; and on further motion the committee was instructed to make an assessment for Superanuated Fund.

Rev. S. B. Klapp arrived and on motion was received as fraternal messenger from the N. C. and Va. Conference.

The conference elected the following fraternal messengers for 1896:

To the Valley Va.—Rev. Jas. L. Foster.

To the Ga. and Ala.—Rev. W. C. Wicker.

To the Eastern Va.—Revs. W. D. Harward and W. G. Clements.

To the N. C. and Va.—Revs. M. L. Winston and Jas. L. Foster.

To the W. N. C.—Rev. G. R. Underwood and W. G. Harward.

On motion Hon. J. H. Fleming was elected to deliver the next annual address; with Prof. Herbert Scholtz alternate.

Rev. W. C. Wicker read a letter from the president of the Christian Missionary Association, and on motion the matter was made special order at 12 o'clock Saturday.

By motion the following nominating committees were appointed to recommend delegates to next session of General Convention: Committee of elders to nominate laymen, Revs. Jas. L. Foster, G. R. Underwood, and M.

L. Winston; committee of laymen to nominate elders, Bros. J. H. Moring, J. E. Langston, A. Moring. Prayer by Rev. G. R. Underwood.

Conference adjourned to meet 9:30 a. m., to-morrow.

SECOND DAY.

Conference called to order by president Fleming at 10 a. m. Prayer by Rev. W. T. Herndon.

Roll called, quorum present; minutes read and approved.

By motion, Rev. J. D. Wicker and Bros. B. R. Eaves and H. R. Hagle were appointed a committee on religious services during this session of conference.

On motion it was decided to publish the minutes of this session in the Christian Annual.

Roll of churches called and 328 Annuals subscribed for; and the matter continued till Monday 11 a. m.

On motion Bro. W. B. Daniel, of the Baptist church, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

As the educational interests advance literature of all kinds is on the increase, thereby giving new reasons why the church should push her literature well to the front, both in quantity and quality.

It is a fact to be regretted, that the Christians, as a people, are not keeping up that enthusiasm in the publication of religious literature neeessary to cause that healthy growth of the church which is desired. They have, however, some books and papers which should be found in the library of every family connected with the Christian church.

First of all we mention The Christian Sun, published by Hurley & Moffitt, at Raleigh, N. C., and edited by Prof. Emmett L. Moffitt, as being in every respect suitable to the wants of our people.

2nd. The Christians' Annual should find increased interest in every family.

3rd. The Elon College Monthly should receive more encouragement than it has hitherto done.

4th. The Herald of Gospe Liberty, published at Dayton, O., is a paper which any one may read with profit.

5th. We would mention "Christians Not Disciples", by Rev. M. L. Hurley, and "Facing the Truth", by Rev. J. Pressley Barrett, D. D., as books of interest which should be read by all.

6th. We urge that our preachers and people generally supply themselves with the new edition of Our Principles and government and so qualify themselves that they may be able to teach the people or give any information the public may ask in regard to the doctrine of the Christian church.

7th. The Christian Missionary, published by Rev. J. G. Bishop, Secretary of Missions of the American Christian Convention, is full of information for all people on both home and foreign missions.

W. G. CLEMENTS,
M. L. WINSTON,
A. P. BARBEE,
J. E. BALLENTINE.

The report discussed by Rev. W. G. Clements, Prof. E. L. Moffitt, editor of the Sun, as to the character and influence of literature, and Rev. M. L. Hurley on financial support of the Sun. And an opportunity was given for the publishers to secure subscriptions to the Sun and to sell the books. The report adopted.

The special order was taken up—The interest of the Christian Missionary Association was explained by Rev. W. C. Wicker and Rev. M. L. Hurley, and the conference took a membership in the same, raising $11.19. Rev. Jas. L. Foster was elected to represent this conference in said Association.

Conference adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President in the chair.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We are glad to note that nearly all of our churches have live Sunday schools Reports to the last Sunday School Convention, however, show eighteen churches without schools. We earnestly urge that steps be taken immediately to organize schools in all of our churches.

We urge upon all our schools to use our own literature published at Dayton, Ohio.

We commend the Sunday School Times as a first-class commentary on the lessons.

Promptness on the part of officers and teachers is necessary to secure a good school.

We call the attention of schools to the importance of the S. S. Convention.

We urge that at least one Sunday in each year be set apart for the study of the Principles of the Christian church.

D. J. MOOD,
J. H. MORING,
C. H. ROWLAND.

After discussion the report was adopted.

A paper from D. J. Mood, Supt., of the Raleigh Christian Sunday school, was read.

Report on religious exercises Sunday, 11 a. m., Rev. M. L. Hurley; 2 p. m., Rev. W. G. Clements and at 7 p. m., Rev. W. D. Harward.

The treasurer report for 1895, and his report referred to Committee on Finance.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Great changes have taken place in the foreign field during 1895. Japan and China have been engaged in a bloody war. Many missionaries and native Christians have suffered persecution and death at the hands of a violent mob in the latter country. The Armenian Christians in Turkey are being murdered by the thousands; others are driven from their homes to starve in caves and on the highways. Cuba, the priest-ridden island, is engaged in a bloody conflict for liberty, and her missionaries are being killed and driven from place to place. In the midst of all these dangers and conflicts God has thrown His strong arm around our missionaries in Japan. They have been wonderfully successful in pointing the Japanese to the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world. The responsibility of the Christian church is greater for them than ever before, from the fact that those high in authority as well as thos in the lower walks of life are ready to receive the gospel of the Son of God. We recommend the following:

1st. That our foreign missions assessments be gradually increased.

2nd. That our people take and read more missionary literature.

3rd That each church in this conference form a reading circle for the purpose of becoming better acquainted with our missionary needs.

4th. That our preachers impress on their congregations that an anti-missionary church is a dead church.

5th. That this conference elect at its present sitting some one to preach a sermon on foreign missions at its next session on Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m., after which a collection be taken for same.

G. R. UNDERWOOD,
J. A. KIMBALL,
W. D. HARWARD,
Committee.

After earnest discussion the report was adopted.

The report on Temperance was submitted, but on motion was recommitted to the Committee for changes and further consideration.

By motion Rev. J. H. Gilbreth of the Friends church was invited to a seat as deliberative member.

Ministerial reports called and read.

Partial report on Education was submitted, and on motion that part relative to the ordination of Rev. W. D. Harward, was received and the other carried over till the final report.

By motion conference went into the election of delegates to the next session of the General Convention, and the chair appointed as tellers Revs. J. W. Fuquay, W. D. Harward.

The committee to nominate elders made their report and on ballot the following were elected: Jas. L. Fos-

ter, W. G. Clements, W. C. Wicker, and G. R. Underwood. Alternates, J. D. Wicker and M. L. Winston.

The committee to nominate lay delegates made their report and on ballot the following were elected: J. H. Fleming, S. P. Read, J. H. Moring. Alternates, Jno. A. Mills, I W. Pritchard and J. E. Ballentine.

The secretary read four church letters.

The chair appointed the following ordaining Presbytery: Revs. W. G. Clements, M. L. Winston and J. D. Wicker. The ordination service to follow the 11 a. m. sermon Sunday. Prayer by Rev. J. W. Wellons.

Conference adjourned till Monday 9:30 a. m.

THIRD DAY.

Conference called to order by Rev. W. G. Clements, in the absence of the president. Prayer by Rev. J. A. Whiteman.

Minutes read and approved.

NOTE—Sunday 11 a. m., Rev. M. L. Hurley preached, after which Rev. W. D. Harward was ordained; and a collection for Home Missions was taken amounting to $10.87; at 2 p. m., Rev. W. G. Clements preached, and at 7 p. m., Rev. W. D. Harward.

The following resolution was adopted by rising vote.

RESOLVED, That a vote of thanks is due and is hereby tendered by this body to the church at Liberty and community for their unbounded hospitality shown it in their homes.

By motion conference went into the selection of place for holding the next annual session, and Plymouth, Wake Co., was chosen.

President Fleming arrived and took the chair.

Whereas, The Elders of this conference are without any certificate of membership, caused by the division of the old N. C. & Va. Christian Conference,

RESOLVED, That the Executive Committee be instructed to prepare and have made a certificate of membership.

The above matter after remarks was adopted.

RESOLVED, That we deplore the indifference and failure of some churches and preachers in not raising conference assessments, and recommend that this conference at its next session require a written explanation from all delinquents why the assessments have not been paid.

The resolution adopted.

RESOLVED, That this conference appoint a committee to group the churches into pastorates.

On motion the resolution was lost.

RESOLVED, That this conference petition the next session of the General Convention to take into consideration the advisability of grouping the churches into pastorates.

By vote the resolution was lost.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We have examined the report of the Treasurer, and find it correct with vouchers for all disbursements.

J. L. Foster Secretary, presents an account of $ 4.88 for incidentals, which we recommend to be paid.

We also recommend the payment of an account of $2 to Rev. J. D. Wicker, expenses attending the meeting of the Executive Committee at Catawba Springs.

I. W. PRITCHARD,
Committee.

The report adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

J. E. Ballentine, Treasurer, in account with
The Eastern N. C. Christian Conference.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

		Cr.	Dr.
1894.			
Nov 30.	To collection at conference		$121 25
Nov 28.	By commissions 1½ per cent	$ 1 81	
1895.			
Jan 24.	By order No. 5 of J. A. Mills, Treasurer,	117 62	
Jan 24.	By commissions on order	1 79	
Nov 29.	Balance on hand	03	
		$121 25	$121 25

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

1894.			
Nov 30.	To collections at conference		$51 35
Nov 30	By commissions	$ 76	
Dec 25.	By order of W. D. Harward, order No. 4,	40 00	
Dec 25.	By commissions	60	
Nov 29.	Balance on hand	9 99	
		$51 35	$51 35
Nov 29.	Two notes against W. D. Harward		$115 00
Nov 29.	One note against W. C. Wicker		35 50

HOME MISSIONS.

1894.			
Nov 30.	To collections at conference		$176 62
Nov 30.	To collections at conference for church extens'n		36 10
Nov 30.	By commissions	$ 3 19	
Nov 30.	To cash from N. C. & Va. Conference		20 94
Dec 15.	To order of Rev. C. H. Rowland, No. 3,	25 00	
1895.			
Jan 31.	To order of Rev. J. L. Foster, No. 6,	37 50	
May 9.	" " " J. L. Foster, No. 8.	37 50	
May 18.	" " " W. G. Clements No. 9,	12 50	
July 24.	" " " M. L. Winston, No. 10,	12 50	
Aug 15.	" " " J. L. Foster, No. 11,	37 50	
Nov 15.	" " " W. G. Clements, No. 14,	12 50	
Nov 15.	" " " J. L. Foster, No. 13,	37 50	
Nov 29.	By commissions on 8 orders	3 18	
Nov 29.	By order of Rev. M. L. Winston, No. 12	12 50	
Nov 29.	Commissions on one order	18	
Nov 29.	Balance on hand	2 11	
		$233 66	$233 66

CONFERENCE FUND.

1894.			
Nov 30.	To collections at conference		$21 42
Nov 30.	By commissions on $21.42	$ 31	
Nov 30.	To cash received from N. C. & Va. Conference		13 00
Dec 15.	By order of Rev. J. L. Foster, No. 9,	10 00	
Dec 15.	" " " " " 1,	10 83	
1895.			
Mar 20.	" " " " " 7,	12 65	
Nov 28.	By commissions on 3 orders	50	
Nov 28.	Balance on hand	13	
		$34 42	$34 42

J. E. BALLENTINE,
Treasurer.

The special order called for 11 a. m., and the question of raising the additional number of Annuals necessary to secure the publication of our minutes, was considered. Prof. J. H. Moring, who had been appointed to receive the fund for Annuals, reported that 72 additional was necessary to make the 400 required.

On motion it was ordered that conference have the 400 published, and pay for the additional (72), and that all subscriptions that come in late be turned over to pay for same.

ASSESSMENTS 1896

CHURCHES	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Educational Fund	Superannuated Fund	Conference Fund	Total Amount
Antioch	5 00	1 50	1 50	50	50	9 00
Auburn	8 00	4 00	4 00	50	50	17 00
Amelia	50	25	25		25	1 25
Beulah	5 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	50	10 50
Bethany	3 00	1 50	1 50	50	50	7 00
Catawba Springs	15 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	27 00
christian chapel	8 00	5 00	4 00	1 09	1 00	19 00
christian Light	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	50	6 00
Damascus	15 00	7 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	29 00
Ebenezer	6 00	2 00	1 00	50	1 00	10 50
Good Hope	4 00	2 00	2 00	50	80	9 30
Hayes chapel	7 00	3 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	15 00
Liberty	12 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	1 00	25 00
Mt Auburn	20 00	8 00	8 00	2 00	2 00	40 00
Mt Carmel	3 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	25	6 25
Mt Hermon	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	50	6 00
Martha's chapel	7 00	3 00	3 00	50	75	14 25
Moore Union	4 00	3 00	2 00	50	50	10 00
Morrisville	5 00	3 00	3 00	50	40	11 90
New Elam	10 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	22 00
New Hope	4 00	2 00	2 00	50	70	9 20
New Hill	1 00	50	50	50	40	2 90
O'Kelly's chapel	12 00	7 00	4 00	1 00	1 00	25 00
Oak Level	12 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	1 30	28 30
Pleasant Union	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	60	6 10
Pleasant Hill	4 00	1 00	1 00	50	50	7 00
Pleasant Grove	1 00	50	50	50	15	2 65
Pope's chapel	10 00	3 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	18 00
Plymouth	5 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	75	10 75
Piney Plains	2 00	1 00	1 00	50	30	4 80
Raleigh	12 00	4 00	3 00	1 00	75	20 75
Spilona	3 00	50	50	50	50	5 00
Shallow well	10 00	5 00	3 00	1 20	1 20	19 40
Turner's chapel	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	50	6 00
wake chapel	16 00	6 00	5 00	1 00	2 00	30 00
walnut Grove	4 00	3 00	2 00	50	50	10 00
Youngsville	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	50	6 00

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

This is an age of Education. There is a greater per cent of educated men and women to-day than ever before, and these are found in all vacations and conditions of life.

Knowledge is everywhere. In the fields, in the shops, in the factories, in the stores, in the offices, in the forests, in the mines, in the professions—everywhere are found specialists.

The Christian Church of the South has joined the onward march. Hence the new life in all departments of her work. The pride of the Southern Christian Convention, the future hope of the Christians, the object of a very gratifying comment by a generous public in North Carolina and Virginia, is Elon College! No denomination has been more loyal to its educational center than the Christians. In six years we have built a college worth $75,000, which now has 125 students, and have proven the advisability and practicability of co-education, all of which this conference has liberally aided in, rejoices with, and thanks God for.

The spirit of education has touched the ministry. Ministers are seeking a higher and more thorough education. Candidates for the ministry are educating themselves as a requisite for licensure and ordination, so that they may the better fill the responsible relation of pastor.

We received from the division of the old N. C. & Va. Conference, notes for ministerial education to the amount of $110.50.

We have a sets for the Educational Fund to the amount of $161.85 on hand up to the meeting of this session.

We regret that Rev. J. A. Massey did not attend last conference. He failed to make any report to this committee at that time. He has also failed to report himself during this session. It is therefore recommended that,

Inasmuch as he has not reported himself to this conference for two successive sessions, either in person or by letter. We recommend that in accordance with our Form of Government his license be revoked and his credentials be demanded by the Executive Committee of this conference.

We have endeavored to communicate with all of the licentiates of this conference during the year, making suggestions and trying to advance them in their studies as best we could with the limited means at our disposal.

The following brethren came before us, all having recommendations from their respective churches requesting their ordination.

Rev. W. D. Harward, who stood a satisfactory examination on the required studies and who graduates at Elon College at next commencement, we therefore recommend his ordination, to take place during this session.

Rev. J. W. Fuquay in some of the studies has made commendable progress, but fails to pass. We recommend that he purchase all the books required for the first year course through this committee, and that he apply himself more directly to this preparation; and further, that if there is a possibility he make arrangements to attend high school and thus better qualify himself for the general work of the gospel ministry.

Rev. A. P. Barbee did not seek ordination, he having decided to enter school at Jonesboro, N. C. We commend him in his wise decision and noble undertaking. We recommend also that he purchase the books for the first year course through this committee.

Rev. C. H. Rowland, now at Elon College, reports himself to us. We are exceedingly glad to know that Bro. Rowland has thus determined to truly qualify himself for the open fields which are now ripe unto the harvest.

Rev. C. C. Williams did not apply for the examination, because he had not purchased the books and studied the required course. We recommend that he purchase the books through this committee and endeavor to be prepared for examination at next session of Conference.

We recommend that Rev. J. A. Whiteman be received as an elder in this conference.

Respectfully submitted.

JAS. L. FOSTER,
J. D. WICKER,
W. G. CLEMENTS,
W. C. WICKER.

On motion, report considered by items.

Dr. Herndon, Financial Agent of Elon College, made a strong appeal in behalf of the College.

The report adopted by items and then as a whole.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

We believe that home missions is the foundation on which rest the enterprises of this conference, and the only medium through which we can extend our borders and supply the inviting fields that are calling for us. It is useless for us to point out to this conference annually the fine territory that lies before us without the means to cultivate. We ought to have one missionary in the field all his time. We think this could be done if our brethren would contribute of their means as God has blessed them. We see the need of missions since the div sion of conference as never before.

We have had six applications for help. The question is how shall we help these places with so small a fund. We recommend the following:

1. That $100 be appropriated to the Raleigh church to supplement pastor's salary.
2. That $25 be appropriated to Antioch to aid them in paying pastor.
3. That $15 be appropriated to Piney Plains to aid them in securing pastor.
4. That $25 be appropriated to Six Forks to supplement pastor's salary.
5. That the above amounts over fifty dollars be paid quarterly, and under fifty semi-annually in advance.

Respectfully submitted.

J. D. WICKER,
G. R. UNDERWOOD,
Committee.

The report considered by items and on motion the amounts named by the committee in items 3rd and 4th of the report were changed and placed to the amount in item 1st, of the report; and on further motion $10.00 addition was added to item 1st, from the Home Mission fund, making total appropriation on 1st item of report $150.00.

The report as amended, adopted.

Conference adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President Fleming in the chair.

The chair appointed the following standing committees:

Executive—Revs. W. G. Clements, J. D. Wicker, M. L. Winston.

Education—Revs. W. G. Clements, W. C. Wicker, J. L. Foster.

Home Missions—Rev. J. D. Wicker, Bros. J. A. Mills, J. H. Moring.

Foreign Missions—Revs. G. R. Underwood, W. D. Harward, Bro. I. W. Pritchard.

Religious Literature—Revs. J. L. Foster, W. D. Harward, Prof. Herber Scholz.

Sunday Schools—Revs. G. R. Underwood, A. P. Barbee, Bro. D. J. Mood.

Moral Reform—Revs. J. A. Jones, J. W. Fuquay, Bro. J. H. Moring.

The following resolution was adopted.

RESOLVED, That when this conference adjourns it adjourn to meet on Friday after the fourth Sunday in Nov., 1896, 10 a. m., with the church at Plymouth, Wake County, N. C.

By motion, Rev. W. C. Wicker was elected to deliver sermon on Foreign Missions, as provided for by report of Committee on Foreign Missions.

On motion, the secretary was allowed $10.00 for work of secretary's office the past year, and instructed to draw order for the same.

By motion conference went into the election of additional alternates to the General Convention, with the following result, Revs. W. D. Harward and J. A. Jones being elected.

On motion, the secretary was instructed to draw an order in favor of Jno. A. Mills, treasurer of the General Convention South, for the amount of Foreign Missions now in the hands of J. E. Ballentine, treasurer of this conference.

BANNER CHURCHES.—Auburn, Antioch, Beulah, Damascus, Ebenezer, Liberty, Morrisville, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Auburn, New Hope, Oak Level, Plymouth, Piney Plains, Raleigh, Walnut Grove, Wake Chapel, Youngsville.

The Committee on Moral Reform reported and after discussion report was amended to read as follows and adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

Any church that is not a reform church is not in a Christian condition. Reform means total abstinence in all that is evil, and moderation in all that is good.

RESOLVED, 1. That it i· right to teach your boys and girls reform, but it is wrong to act immoral before them.

2. That it is right to preach justice and charity and to take care of the future church.

3. We recommend and heartily endorse the teaching of reform in our homes and schools.

J. W. FUQUAY.

Rev. W. G. Clements and A. Moring were appointed a committee to read and approve 3rd day's session.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS

MINISTERS	No Churches	Conversions	No Accessions	No Baptised	Funer'l Serm'ns	Marriages	No Sermons	Prayer Mt'gs	Pastoral Visits	Amount of Salary
J L Foster	1	21	17	7	8	5	83	42	388	$553 19
w G clements	4	80	36	31	5		100	50	100	300 00
J D wicker	6	53	27	35	4		154	20		465 50
w c wicker	4	30	10	8	1	3	110	25	150	325 00
G R Underwood	4	24	30	18	15	2	150	32		365 00
M L winston	1	3	1		10	4	35	10	36	75 00
J A Jones	00									
A P Barbee	4	20	13		1		40	25	75	60 00
w D Harward	4	20	15	10	1		80			164 00
C H Rowland	2				1		40			62 50
J w Fuquay	3	15	8				104	10		90 00
c c williams	3	16	5		4		61		125	85 00
L w Mangum	2	11	7	6	7	5	80			50 00
J A whiteman							35		200	

The president made feeling remarks as to the future work of the conference, and urged both ministers and laity to press forward for the work of 1896.

By motion conference adjourned, to meet with the church at Plymouth, Wake Co., N. C., on Friday after 4th Sunday in Nov. 1896, 10 a. m. Prayer by Rev. W. G. Clements.

J. H. FLEMING, President,
Raleigh, N. C.

JAS. L. FOSTER, Secretary,
Raleigh, N. C.

STATISTICAL TABLE EASTERN N. C. CONFERENCE.

Churches	Pastors	Secretaries and Post Offices	Present No	Paid Pastor	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Educational Fund	Conference Fund	Other Purposes	Value of Church Property	Superintendents and Post Offices	No Pupils in S S	Raised by S S	Use our own Literature
Antioch	M L Winston	Mrs N J Harris, Elams	60	$50 00	$7 00	$2 00	2 00	$ 75		500	J F Floyd, Elams	63	6 85	yes
Auburn	J O Atkinson	Wm Watts, Auburn	53	75 00	8 00	4 00	4 00	50		700	J E Langston, Auburn	40	9 00	yes
Amelia														
Beulah	C C Williams	J B Edwards, Hartsville	71	25 00	6 00	3 00	3 00	1 00	2 64	500	J B Edwards, Hartsville	62	1 50	no
Bethany	A P Barbee	Levi Carden, University	64	19 56	3 00	1 50		50		400	John James, Durham	33	1 41	no
Catawba Springs	J O Atkinson	T M Franks, Raleigh	116	100 00	6 00	5 00		1 26	75 00	700				
Christian Chapel	W C wicker	L S Mann, Corinth	182	56 00		3 00		1 00	56 00	1000	L S Mann, Corinth	64	10 20	yes
Christian Light														
Damascus	w C wicker	M A McCauley, Lindsay	104	125 00	15 00	7 00	5 00	1 04	406 00	1500	I W Pritchard, Lindsay	65	8 14	yes
Ebenezer	w G Clements	J N Carpenter, Raleigh	87	50 00	5 00	2 00	1 00	1 00		250		25		
Good Hope	J D wicker	J T May, Pocomo	56	50 00	3 75	2 00		32		600	J J Strickland, Pocomo	47	1 25	yes
Hayes Chapel	w G Clements	L M Barbee, Garner	122	75 00	3 00	2 25		65	25 00	600	W S Moring, Garner	60	10 00	yes
Liberty	J D wicker	B R Eaves, Epsom	181	102 50	10 00	5 00	5 00	1 00		1000	H R Hoyle, Epsom	78	23 00	no
Mt Auburn	J w Patton	SPRead, PalmerSpring, Va	163	150 00	20 00	8 00	8 00	2 00	20 00	500	T J Haskins, Keats, Va	68	6 78	no
Mt Carmel	C C williams	W S Wilson, Wilton	28	30 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	25		500	J W Mitchell, Wilton	48	2 00	
Mt Hermon	J w Fuquay	W I Beasley, Auburn	53	25 00	2 00	1 00		71		300				
Martha's Chapel	C H Rowland	W A Ellington, Elm Grove	40	60 00	8 00	4 00		75		1000	H Mulholland, William's	31	12 00	yes
Moore Union	J w Fuquay	N A Mathews, Grotto	62	34 15	1 50	3 73		63		300	L B Spivy, Forkade	45		no
Morrisville	w C wicker	J H Moring, Morrisville	45	60 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	40	30 00	500	J H Moring, Morrisville	25	10 00	yes
New Elam	C C Peel	J A Goodwin, Merry Oaks	176	78 75	9 00	3 00			100 00	1000	D A Mann, Merry Oaks		4 40	yes
NewHope	C C williams	N A Rogers, RileysxRoads	64	20 95	4 00	2 00	2 00	70		500	N Harris, Royal	31	5 00	yes
O'Kelly's Capel	w C wicker	C S Holleman, Durham	102	100 00	10 00	6 00		1 00		500	A M Parrish, Durham	82	15 00	yes
Oak Level	J D wicker	D M Cook, Franklinton	113	125 00	12 00	5 00	5 00	1 30	55 00	1000	J C Williams, Youngsville	77	8 50	yes
New Hill														
Pleasant Union	L w Mangum	W J Long, Bowie's Creek	56	25 00				56		400				
Pleasant Hill	J w Fuquay	W L Mangum, Benson	83	10 00						500				
Pleasant Grove														
Pope's Chapel	J D wicker	A L Jones, Franklinton	103	80 00	5 60	2 57		1 00		1000				
Plymouth	G R Underwood	J W Rhodes, Banks	75	70 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	75	5 00	500	D D Banks, Banks	54	7 00	yes
Piney Plains	w G Clements	T H Prince, Massey	43	61 50	2 00	1 00	1 00	30	15 00	375	N B Gulley, Raleigh	35	3 00	no
Raleigh	J L Foster	D J Mood, Raleigh	67		12 00	5 00	4 00	50	446 25	7000	D J Mood, Raleigh	127	122 44	yes
Spilona	L w Mangum	R I Lassiter, Spilona	28	25 00	50	1 00		50		500				
Shallow Well	J w Patton	J D Gunter, Jonesboro	127	84 50	5 05	5 51	2 01	1 20		1000	J W Kelley, Burlow	75	3 31	no
Turner's Chapel	A P Barbee	E H Johnson, Colon	50	20 00	3 00	1 00		09		500	A W Wicker, Colon	45	3 00	yes
Wake Chapel	w G Clements	J E Ballentine, Varina	207	110 00	15 00	6 00	6 00	1 90	75 00	600	D H Fuquay, Holly Spring	46	3 42	yes

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

EOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY ASS'N,

HELD AT SUFFOLK, VA.

The fourth annual session of the Christian Missionary Association convened with the Christian church at Suffolk, Va., Dec. 11 and 12, 1895. A fair per cent of the membership was present, and among these many of the ablest and most active men in the Southern Convention. The regular routine of business was executed, and during the session addresses were delivered by Drs. Long, Staley, Herndon, Revs. S. B. Klapp, W. J. Laine, H. H. Butler, and Prof. E. L. Moffitt. Most of these addresses were of superior merit, and gave no uncertain sound as to the position of our people on the all-absorbing theme of missions.

The cheif item of business demanding the attention of the Association was a revision of the Constitution, with a view to making clear its specific purpose. This object was accomplished to the entire satisfaction, we belive, of the Association. The point of doubt and contention which has given many an excuse for not supporting the Association no longer exists. See Constitution below. No man who loves the principles of the Christian church and desires to see it flourish and extend its borders can fail to be in sympathy with the object of this Association. Now let us, brethren, joining hand to hand, shoulder to shoulder, and heart to heart, go forward to toil and sac-

rifice for the attainment of the great end designed by this Association—to till and harvest the unoccupied portions of God's vineyard.

OFFICERS.

President—Rev. N. G. Newman, Suffolk, Va.

Vice-President—Dr. W. T. Herndon, Elon College, N. C.

Secretary—Col. A. Savage, Driver, Va.

Treasurer—Capt. T. R. Gaskins, Driver, Va.

Mission Secretary—Dr. W. T. Herndon, Elon College, N. C.

Executive Board—Rev. N. G. Newman, Suffolk, Va., J. E. West, Suffolk, Va., E. E. Holland, Suffolk, Va.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Missionary Literature—Profs. E. L. Moffitt, J. O. Atkinson, Rev. W. J. Laine.

Programme for Annual Meetings—Rev. N. G. Newman, Chr. Ex-Officio, Revs. J. W. Rawls, S. B. Klapp.

Mission Fields—Drs. W. S. Long, W. T. Herndon, J. P. Barrett.

Constitution.

I. NAME.

This organization shall be known as the Christian Missionary Association. It shall be subordinate to the Southern Christian Convention, and to it this body shall report.

II. THE PURPOSE.

The purpose of this Association shall be the collection of money to be expended in missionary work in sections of country which are either not occupied at all, or occupied by conferences too weak to maintain aggressive work, with a view to establishing new conferences, as to building up those too weak to cultivate the fields occupied.

III. MEMBERSHIP.

Any person, church, Sunday school, missionary society, aid society, or other society, may become an annual member upon the payment of $10.00, provided that ladies shall be admitted with a half vote for $5.00 when representing themselves.

IV. OFFICERS.

The officers of this Association shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Mission Secretary, all to hold office for one year, or till successors and elected, with duties such as are common to said officers. The election of officers shall be by ballot. The officers shall in all cases be members of the Christian church.

V. THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

An Executive Board consisting of three persons, chosen by ballot, shall have charge of the affairs of the Association during their term of office. The Mission Secretary shall be Secretary of this Board.

VI. REPORTS.

1. The President, Treasurer, Missionary Secretary, and the Exectutive Committee shall make annual reports to this body.

2. Missionaries laboring under the appointment of this body shall make monthly reports of all their labors to the Mission Secretary.

VII. ANNUAL MEETINGS.

The regular meetings shall be held annually at such time and place as may be determined by the body itself in annual session, or, if necessary, by the Executive Board.

VIII. COMMITTEES.

The following standing committees shall be appointed annually:

1. On Mission Fields.—Its duty shall be to collect and present to this body all information within its reach as to the most needy, desirable, and available mission fields for the work of the Association's missionaries.

2. On Missionary Literature.—Its duty shall be to do all in its power to call the attention of this body to the missionary literature best adapted to the needs of the people represented in the Association, seeking to enlist the interest of the masses and arouse their enthusiasm through the information thus afforded. To this end it shall be the duty of this committee to exert themselves in the circulation of said literature among the people throughout the year.

3. On Programme for the Annual Meeting.—Its duty shall be to arrange subjects and provide speakers for the same for the annual meeting. The President of the Association shall be ex-officio chairman of said committee.

IX. CHANGES.

Changes in this Constitution may be made only by a two-third vote of the legal members, and all changes proposed in the same must be announced to the public throvgh The Christian Sun at least one month before the assembling of the annual session of the body.

X. DUTIES OF THE MISSION SECRETARY.

It shall be the duty of the Mission Secretary to study the field, solicit members, collect funds, and attend to any other interest, and report the same to the body. He shall have power to devise plans of work and to appoint subagents for the execution of the same by and with the consent of the Executivo Board.

Ministerial Directory.

ELDERS.

EASTERN VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

Barrett, J. P., Norfolk; Barrett, J. W., Windsor Station; Butler, H. H., Suffolk; Butler, M. W., Berkley; Charnock, Roger, Franklin, Ohio; Hurley, M. L., Elon College, N. C.; Holland, R. H., Holland; Kitchen, Jno. T. Windsor; Long, W. S., Norfolk; Laine, W. J., Chuckatuck; Moore, H. C., Charlottesville; Newman, N. G., Suffolk; Rawls, J. W., Franklin; Staley, W. W., Suffolk.

WESTERN N. C. CONFERENCE.

Albright, H. A., Moffitts; Boon, C. A., Elon College; Comer, J. R., Spencer; Cooper, A. J., Staley; Fleming, P. H., Graham; Hatch, J. W., Pittsboro; Jarrell, E. H., Randleman; Lawrence, J. S., Erect; Lawrence, W. W., Erect; Moffitt, H. T., Moffitts; Newman, J. U., Elon College; Patton, J. W., Liberty; Parker, J. W., High Point; Peel, C. C., Burlington; Richardson, W. B., Franklinsville; Roach, W. H., High Point; Scott, J. A., Linville, Va.; Way, S. H., Fork Creek; Way, P. T., Liberty; Webster, J. A., Franklinsville.

EASTERN N. C. CONFERENCE.

Clements, W. G., Morrisville; Foster, J. L., Raleigh; Harward, W. D., Elon College; Jones, J. A., Ballentine's Mills; Mangum. L. W., Benson; Underwood, G, R., Jonesboro; Wicker, J. D., Youngsville; Winston, M. L., Creedmore; Wicker, W. C., Lindsay; Whiteman, J. A., Jonesoro.

N. C. AND VA. CONFERENCE.

Allen, P W, Winston, N C; Apple, Solomon, Semora, N C; Atkinson, J O, Elon College, N C; Dawson, T B, Bason, N C; Fulton, H C, White Roads, N C; Herndon, W T, Elon College, N C; Holt, J W, Burlington, N

C; Isely, A F, Shallow Ford, N C; Klapp, P T, Elon College, N C; Klapp, S B, Virgilina, Va; Pinnix, J W, Kernersville, N C; Strowd, T W, Union Ridge, N C; Wellons, J W, Durham; Ford, W H, Asheville, N C.

GA. AND ALA. CONFERENCE.

Jubilee Smith, Richland, Ga; J L Neese, Buckeye, Ala; G M Hurst, Redapple, Ala; H M Abbercrombie, Redapple, Ala; J D Elder, Milltown, Ala; T H Elder, Milltown, Ala; J H Hughes, Milltown, Ala; C M Dollar, Peavy, Ala; W R Knight, Peavy, Ala; J W Elder, Ofelia, Ala; J T Edmanson,———; M F Lett, Eclectic, Ala; H W Elder, Opelika, Ala: J B Orr, Mt Calm, Tex; G D Hunt, Emuckfau, Ala; M D Chewning,———; C G Malone, Malone. Ala; W A Fletcher, Jirard, Ala; D G Horn, Jirard, Ala;

LICENTIATES.

EASTERN VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

Demarest, R. D. H., Box Elder; Harrell, J. W., Waverly; Jones, J. H., Holland.

WESTERN N. C. CONFERENCE.

Baldwin, M. A., Franklinsville; Hayes, W. N., Erect; Hammer, M. E., Tillman; Kerns, B. F., Moffitts; Stinson, D. R., Asheboro; Vuncannon, Henry, Asheboro; Wright, J. H., Asheboro; Julian, W. R., Millboro.

EASTERN N. C. CONFEREFCE.

Barbee, A. P., Jonesboro; Fuquay, J. W., Varina; Rowland, C. H., Elon College; Williams, C. C., Royal.

N. C. AND VA. CONFERENCE.

Fonville, J W, Big Falls, N C; Carden, J S; Hines, H L, Greensboro, N C; Barnes, J W, Omaha, Texas; Rogers, W A, Weimar, Tex.

GA. AND ALA. CONFERENCE.

W D Davis, Daviston, Ala; W J W Daniel, Parrot, Ga; W G Hurst, Redapple, Ala; C W Swann, Buckeye, Ala; J M Vickers, Emuckfau, Ala.

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The Seasons.

Spring commences March 20, 3 :00 a. m.
Summer commences June 20, 11 :00 p. m.
Autumn commences September 22, 2 :00 p. m.
Winter commences December 21, 8 :00 a. m.

Eclipses.

In the year 1897 there will be two eclipses, both of the Sun.

I. An Annualar Eclipse of the Sun February 1, visible at Washington as a partial eclipse, towards sunset.

II. An Annular Eclipse of the Sun July 29, visible at Washington as a partial eclipse.

Moon's Phases.

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JANUARY									
New Moon,	3	0	49	a. m.	Full Moon,	18	3	3	p. m.
First Quarter,	10	4	32	p. m.	Last Quarter,	25	2	54	p. m.
FEBRUARY.									
New Moon,	1	2	59	p. m.	Full Moon,	17	4	54	a. m.
First Quarter,	9	2	11	p. m.	Last Quarter,	23	10	29	p. m.
MARCH.									
New Moon,	3	6	42	a. m.	Full Moon,	18	4	13	p m.
First Quarter,	11	10	14	a. m.	Last Quarter,	25	6	45	a. m.
APRIL.									
New Moon,	1	11	10	p. m.	Full Moon,	17	1	11	a. m.
First Quarter,	10	3	13	a. m.	Last Quarter,	23	4	34	p. m.
MAY.									
New Moon,	1	3	32	p. m.	Full Moon,	16	8	40	a. m.
First Quarter,	9	4	23	p. m.	Last Quarter,	23	4	20	a. m.
					New Moon,	31	7	11	a. m.
JUNE.									
First Quarter,	8	1	48	a. m.	Last Quarter,	21	6	10	p. m.
Full Moon,	14	3	47	p. m.	New Moon,	29	9	41	p. m.
JULY.									
First Quarter,	7	8	18	a. m.	Last Quarter,	21	9	54	a. m.
Full Moon,	13	11	38	p. m.	New Moon,	29	10	44	a. m.
AUGUST.									
First Quarter,	5	1	10	p. m.	Last Quarter,	20	3	15	a. m.
Full Moon,	12	9	8	a. m.	New Moon,	27	10	15	p. m.
SEPTEMBER.									
First Quarter,	3	5	59	p. m.	Last Quarter,	18	9	37	p. m.
Full Moon,	10	8	58	p. m.	New Moon,	26	8	32	a. m.
OCTOBER.									
First Quarter,	3	0	17	a. m.	Last Quarter,	18	3	55	p. m.
Full Moon,	10	11	28	a. m.	New Moon,	25	6	14	p. m.
NOVEMBER.									
First Quarter,	1	9	23	a. m	Last Quarter,	17	8	48	a. m.
Full Moon,	9	4	36	a. m.	New Moon,	24	4	6	a. m.
					First Quarter,	30	10	0	p. m.
DECEMBER.									
Full Moon,	8	11	40	p. m.	New Moon,	23	2	41	p. m.
Last Quarter,	16	11	8	p. m.	First Quarter,	30	2	13	p. m.

The Christian Church.

From the meeting of the first General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, held in Baltimore, Nov. 1, 1792, the Christian church dates its origin. During the sitting of that body, Rev. James O'Kelly, a presiding elder and one of the strongest and most influential Methodists of his time, introduced a resolution providing that when a minister was not satisfied with the circuit to which his Bishop had appointed him, he could appeal to conference, and if his appeal were sustained, the Bishop should give him another appointment. After a long and heated debate the resolution was lost. The next day O'Kelly and about thirty other ministers sent in their resignations and withdrew from Conference. Next year they met at Manokin Town, N. C., and organized a body, taking the name of "Republican Methodists," not intending to cut themselves entirely loose from the Methodist church. They soon found, however, that such a course was impracticable; and 1794 they again met in conference at old Lebanon church, Surry County, Va., and there at the suggestion of Rev. Rice Haggard, they decided henceforth to wear only the name "Christian," to take the Bible itself as their only creed, and to allow each church to govern itself.

A little later, in the year 1801, Rev. Abner Jones and a few faithful followers in New England, left the Baptist church; while still later, in 1803, Rev. Barton W. Stone and others in the West, renounced the faith of the Presbyterian church. The causes of both these separations were similar to those that actuated O'Kelly in the South

a few years earlier; and they, too, adopted the name "Christian," took the Bible as their only creed, and recognized the independence of each individual church. It is a singular and suggestive fact that no one of these three bodies knew of the similar action of the other bodies until some years afterwards. Finally, when communication between the three sections became easier, they soon saw their oneness of purpose, and quickly united their forces in a common cause.

This simultaneous revolt against the autocracy of the three great American churches, though for a time seemingly unimportant, was in harmony with the spirit of the age—a natural outgrowth of the times. It was the idea of independence rising above the social and reaching into the religious life of the world. Others were content with freedom from political tyranny: the Christians went a step further, and demanded freedom from ecclesiastical tyranny.

Their progress was, at first, necessarily slow, as is the case with all reformatory movements. Other denominations were already established, and hence had the power, wealth, and influence of the country at their command. This gave our small, unorganized, ill-equipped band of faithful soldiers whole armies of well organized and equipped hosts to meet in the battle for religious liberty. But notwithstanding this rather unpromising beginning, we have struggled on in our efforts for what we believe to be right and for the good of humanity. We have had our share of opposition, neglect, and derision, the darts of the enemy have been many and poisoned; but 'we have striven to take unto ourselves the whole armour of God, that we may be able to withstand in the evil day, having our loins girt about with truth, having on the breastplate of righteousness, and our feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; above all taking the shield of faith, wherewith we shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked, and taking the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the spirit, which is the word of God,' we have pressed forward with an unfaltering trust in Him who guides the destinies of all peoples, and success is crowning our efforts.

Interesting Notes.

Rev. James O'Kelly was born in 1734 and died in 1826.

The Christian church, South, has 105 ministers and 113 churches.

All colleges under the control of the Christian Church are co-educational.

The Christian Sun was established by Rev. D. W. Kerr, at Hillsboro, N. C., in 1844.

Abner Jones organized the first Christian church in New England, at Linden, Vt., in the year 1801.

"Our Declaration of Principles, Form of Government and Directory for Worship" was written in 1866.

At this time, Revs. J. W. Hatch, Sol. Apple, Jubilee Smith, R. H. Holland, and J. W. Wellons are our oldest living ministers.

The General Convention of the Christian Church, South, which meets bi-ennially, will meet with the church at Raleigh, N. C., in May, 1898.

The Christian Church in the United States has about 130,000 members, of which number the South has about 25,000—16,000 white and 9,000 colored.

Rev. P. T. Klapp, of Elon College, N. C., is the "father" of the foreign mission movement in the Christian Church, and Rora Womack, of Chatham county, N. C., was the first contributor to the cause. He gave thirty cents—all he had with him at the time he became impressed with the movement.

Our foreign missionaries are Prof. Woodworth and wife, Miss Penrod, Rev. Earl C. Fry and wife.

In 1854 the Christians, North and South, were divided on account of the slavery question; but in 1890 became re-united.

Elon College was opened in the fall of 1890, and since that time has graduated 27 young men and 10 young ladies. It has a large attendance this year.

The first Christian Church in the West was organized in 1804, at Springfield, Ky., by Revs. Barton W. Stone, David Purviance, and Richard McNemar.

Christian Memorial Temple, Norfolk, Va., was dedicated in May, 1894. It was erected and named in honor of the re-union of the Christians, North and South.

The first Christian Church organized in the South was O'Kelly's Chapel, in Chatham county, N. C. It was organized in 1794, and named in honor of Rev. James O'Kelly.

The "Herald of Gospel Liberty," organ of the American Christian Convention, is the oldest religious newspaper published in America, having been started by Dr. Elias Smith, at Portsmouth, N. H., in 1808.

We have in the United States 86 Conferences—84 white and 4 colored: 1,550 ministers: 2,075 churches, valued at about $2,250,000; 10 colleges, besides a number of lower grade institutions; and 10 periodicals.

The North Carolina & Virginia and the Deep River Conferences united and divided into three, in the year 1894. These three are now known as, the North Carolina & Virginia, the Western North Carolina, and the Eastern North Carolina.

A Centennial Number of The Christian Sun was published by Hurley & Moffitt in Dec. 1894, commemorative of the one hundredth anniversary of the Christian Church. It was an issue of 10,000 copies, 16 pages each, containing matter historical and expository.

The Eastern Virginia Conference was organized in 1818, at Holy Neck, Va.

The North Carolina & Virginia Conference was organized in 1825.

The Deep River Conference (now Western North Carolina) was organized in 1864.

The Georgia & Alabama Conference was organized in 1854.

The Virginia Valley Conference was organized in 1868.

The Southern Christian Association was organized at Good Hope, in Granville county, N. C., in 1847.

The Southern Christian General Convention was organized at Union, Alamance county, N. C., in 1856.

The General Convention of the Christian Church, South, was organized at Mt. Auburn, Warren county, N. C., in 1866.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

Southern Christian Convention,

HELD AT BURLINGTON, N. C.

BURLINGTON, N. C., Friday, June 5, 1896.

The Southern Christian Convention met in regular Biennial Session, Friday, June 5th, 1896, at 8 p. m., in the Burlington Christian Church, and was called to order by Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., President. Rev. J. W. Wellons conducted the devotional exercises by reading Scripture lesson, singing hymn 743, "Blest be the the tie that Binds," prayer and hymn 258, "All hail the power of Jesus' name."

The roll of Conferences was called, and the following members were enrolled:

NORTH CAROLINA AND VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE.—Ministers: J. O. Atkinson, J. W. Wellons, J. W. Holt, T. W. Strowd. Laymen: H. V. Simpson, C. G. Maynard, Prof. S. A. Holleman.

EASTERN VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE.—Ministers: W. W. Staley, D. D., W. S. Long, D. D., N. G. Newman, W. J. Laine, M. L. Hurley. Layman: T. R. Gaskins.

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE. —Ministers: P. H. Fleming, C. C. Peel. Laymen: W. S. Petty, Prof. E. L. Moffitt.

EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE. —Ministers: J. L. Foster, W. G. Clements, W. C. Wicker, G. R. Underwood. Laymen:———

VIRGINIA VALLEY CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE.—Minister: R. H. Peel.

GEORGIA AND ALABAMA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE.—Ministers: G. D. Hunt, H. W. Elder.

A quorum being present, the organization of the Convention was completed by the election of the following officers for the next two years: Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., President; Rev. J. W. Wellons, Vice-President; Rev. N. G. Newman, Assistant Secretary.

An address welcoming the members of the Convention to the homes of the people of Burlington was delivered by W. H. Carrol, Esq., of the Burlington Christian Church. Prof. J. O. Atkinson responded on behalf of the Convention, accepting the hearty welcome extended.

The President, Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., proceeded to deliver the opening address.

On motion, the first seven suggestions in the address were reported to the appropriate committees, and the eighth to special committee, viz.: Revs. W. J. Laine, C. C. Peel and J. L. Foster.

On motion, the following were invited to seats as deliberative members: Rev. Martyn Summbell, D. D., of Lewiston, Maine; Rev. M. McG. Shield, of the Presbyterian church; Rev. R. Vandeventer, of the Baptist church; Rev. J. G. W. Holloway, of the Methodist Protestant church; Rev. J. U. Newman, Ph. D., W. H. Ford, J. D. Wicker, T. B. Dawson, J. W. Harrell and other ministers who may be present.

On motion, a Committee on Religious Exercises was appointed, composed of the pastors and deacons of the church: Rev. P. H. Fleming, W. C. Isley, J. A. Turrentine, J. G. Holt, W. H. Turrentine, T. E. McKeal.

On motion, adjourned to meet tomorrow at 9 a. m. Doxology, and benediction by Rev. W. S. Long, D. D.,

SECOND DAY.—MORNING SESSION.

SATURDAY, June 6th, 1896.

The Convention met. Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. R. H. Peel, hymn 719, "Nearer my God to Thee," read Psalm 121, and prayer. Roll called, and Minutes read and approved.

Rev. N. G. Newman, of the Publication Committee, asked that vacancies on his committee be supplied, the request was granted, and the following were appointed: Revs. C. C. Peel, W. J. Laine, J. O. Atkinson, W. C. Wicker.

On motion, a committee consisting of Revs. W. S. Long, D, D., H. W. Elder, J. L. Foster, R. H. Peel, C. C. Peel and J. O. Atkinson was appointed to nominate trustees for Elon College.

The Committee on Religious exercises made its report which, on motion, was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.

We, your Committee on Religious services beg leave to report that the following churches have requested us to fill their pulpits by ministers of the Christian Convention, on the Sabbath, June 7: which request it affords us pleasure to comply with, viz.:

Christian church—11 a. m., Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D.; 8 p. m., Rev. M. Summerbell, D D.

Presbyterian church—11 a. m., Rev. M. Summerbell, D. D.; 8 p. m., Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D.

M. E church, Front St.—11 a. m., Rev. W. S. Long, D D.; 8 p. m., Rev. W C. Wicker.

Baptist church—11 a. m., Rev. W. J. Laine; 8 p. m., Rev. W G. Clements.

Methodist Protestant—11 a. m., Rev. J. W. Wellons; 8 p. m., Rev R. H. Peel.

Lutheran church—11 a. m., Rev. Jas. L. Foster.

Webb Ave. M. E.—8 p m., Rev J. D. Wicker.

Providence, Graham,—11 a. m., Rev. N. G. Newman; 8 p. m, Rev. T. B. Dawson.

Christian church—4 p. m., Y. P. S. of Christian Endeavor, All ministers and delegates are reguested to be present and take part in the same—Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Leader.

Bethel Christian church—11 a. m., Rev. J. W Harrell.

Hines Chapel Christian church—11 a. m., Rev. G. D. Hunt.

Shallow Ford--11 a. m., Rev. H. W. Elder.

Elon College—11 a. m., Rev. W. G. Clements; 8 p. m., Rev. W. J. Laine.

Rev. W. T. Herndon, of the N. C. & Va. Conference being present, his name was entered in place of Rev. T. W. Strowd as a member of the Convention.

On motion it was ordered that Monday be given to the meeting of the Christian Missionary Association.

Rev. P. T. Klapp handed in a certificate of election and was seated.

A communication from the Board of Public Charities was read. On motion, a committee was appointed to which the matter was referred for consideration, viz.: Revs. J. L. Foster, W. S. Long, D. D., and Prof. E. L. Moffitt.

The report of the Executive Committee was read, and on motion adopted:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Approved and ordered the payment of four dollars expense of meeting of Committee on March 5th, 1896.

Approved and ordered the loan of one hundred dollars to Prof. P. J. Kernodle on account of the publication of "The Declaration of Principles and Form of Government of the Christian Church." This order was made upon the recommendation of the Committee on Publications on December 17th, 1895.

June 5th, 1896, was named as the time of the meeting of this Convention and the matter was duly advertised.

No other business has been performed by this Committee

W. W. STALEY,
E. E. HOLLAND,
P. J. KERNODLE.

The report of the committee on Schools and Colleges was read, and on motion was considered by items. The first item was discussed by Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., Bro. W. S. Petty, Rev. W. H. Ford, Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Rev. N. G. Newman, Rev. W. T. Herndon, Prof. S. A. Holleman, Rev. W. C. Wicker, Rev. G. R. Underwood, Rev. J. W. Wellons, Rev. J. O. Atkinson, Rev. Martyn Summerbell, D. D., Rev. T. B. Dawson, and adopted.

Bro. J. H. Fleming, of the Eastern North Carolina Conference, handed in his certificate and his name was enrolled.

Adjourned to meet at 2:30 p. m. Benediction by Rev. N. G. Newman.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention met. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. G. D. Hunt.

Rev. P. T. Way and Layman L. E. Brady, of the Western North Carolina Conference handed in certificates of election and were seated.

The second item of the report was read. Discussed by Rev. G. R. Underwood, Rev. W. G. Clements, Rev. J. W. Wellons, Bro. W. S. Petty, Rev. J. L. Foster, Rev. W. C. Wicker, Rev. W. H. Ford, Rev. P. T. Klapp, Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., and adopted.

The third item of the report was read. Discussed by Rev. Martyn Summerbell, D. D., Rev. J. W. Holt, Bro. W. S. Petty, Rev. P. T. Klapp, Rev. N. G. Newman, and adopted.

The fourth item was read. Discussed by Rev. Martyn Summerbell, D. D., Rev. J. W. Wellons, and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES.

The successful establishment of Elon College has been a great inspiration to every department of our church work in the South, and almost every local church within our borders has felt its influence. That we may strengthen and more firmly establiished this institution, and also extend the beneficent and uplifting influences of moral and christian education, we respectfully submit the following recommendations:

1. (a) That the trustees of Elon College be requested to remodel the girl's dormitory at the college, enlarge the rooms, complete the front, add to the

north end, making about 30 first-class bed-rooms, a study room for girls, rooms for superintendent and matron, dinning hall and kitchen. The building should be supplied with water, and constructed so as to have the sanitary arrangements complete. A modern structure throughout. (b) That the women of the Christian church be requested to furnish the girl's dormitory; and, that this work may begin at once, we request those now in attendance at this session of the Convention to organize for this important and praiseworthy undertaking. (c) That there be a study room for boys is the main building at the college.

II. That this Convention establish an orphanage. For this we consider an industrial school best suited to the purpose. A farm of 100 acres of land, or more, can be obtained. On it houses for dwellings, school, shops, barns, etc., can be from time to time erected, a variety of crops cultivated, fowls and cattle raised, etc.

We recommend the appointment of a committee of three persons who shall be charged with the duty of selecting a location, appointing a superintendent, and doing all that may be necessary to execute the purpose herein indicated. For their services they shall receive such compensation from any fund collected for the orpanage as the Executive Committee of this body shall determine.

No other debt, except it be for the purchase of real estate, shall be contracted by any person or committee, and all acts, contracts, and appointments of said committee are to be submitted to the Executive Committee of this body for their approval' otherwise they shall be regarded as null and void.

IV. That the representatives of this body to the American Church Quadrennial Committee be instructed to arrange for more satifactory and efficient methods of co-operations in promoting christian education among the colored people of the South.

III. That the trustees be requested to provide for Biblical instruction at Elon College at early period as is possible.

In this Convention we re-endorse the Christian Correspondence College, of which Dr. Martyn Summerbell is president.

W. S. LONG,
W. T. HERNDON,
M. L. HURLEY,
E. L. MOFFITT.

The report was adopted as a whole.

The report of the Children's Missionary Secretary, Bro. D. J. Mood, was read, and on motion referred to the following committee on Finance: Bro. J. H. Fleming, Rev. J. W. Holt, and Capt. T. R. Gaskins.

REPORT OF CHILDREN'S MISSIONARY TREASURER.

March 8th, 1895, Received from Mrs. J. L. Foster, former Treasurer, $14.75; cash received up to January 1, 1896, $26.75; cash received from January 1, 1896, to June 1, 1896, $25.46; total $66.96.

D. J. MOOD, Treas.

Adjourned to meet at 8 p. m.

NIGHT SESSION.

Convention met. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. W. G. Clements, hymn 694, "Happy the church, thou sacred place," and prayer.

The committee to whom was referred the eighth suggestion contained in the President's address, submitted the following report:

REPORT ON Y. P. S. C. E.

We your committee to whom was referred the eighth item of the president's oppening addres , beg leave to submit the following report.

The phenomenal growth of the Y. P. S. of Christian Endeavor, speaks louder and in words more commendable than anything your committee could say. Its growth has been the most rapid of any religious organization, and it is one of the greatest auxiliaries to the church. We quote the following from the above named address, for it most appropriately sets fourth the merits of the organization. "It answers the question, 'What shall be done with our young people,' as nothing else does. It makes a social religious group unique in modern society, and opens training opportunities for the young. It quickens the spiritual element in the church, and keeps the pastor in sweet touch with expanding life. It bridges the chasm between the Sunday school and the church, and prepares the young to be more spiritual and efficient workers in maturer years. It is the training ground for singers, leaders in prayer, liberality, enterprise and co-operation in pastoral work" Therefore we recommend.

I. That this convention heartily endorse the Y. P. S. of Christian Endeavor.

II. That the members of this Convention be instructed to write to the Y. P. S. of Christian Endeavor publishing house, Boston, Mass., and obtain literature, so as to become well informed in regard to the organization, and at the next meeting of their respective conferences, present the work to those bodies, and ask that pastors encourage the young people to organize Christian Endeavors in each local church.

W. J. LAINE,
C. C. PEEL,
J. L. FOSTER.

The report was discussed by Rev. Martyn Summerbell, D. D., Rev. W. J. Laine, Rev. J. W. Wellons, Rev. T. B. Dawson, Rev. W. H. Ford, Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., and adopted.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

Report a committee appointed to recommend names of persons from which the trustees of the College may choose successors when vacancies occur in the Board: Revs. J. P. Barrett, D.D., P. T. Klapp, J. L. Foster, H. W. Elder, P. H. Fleming, J. W. Holt, W. S. Long, D.D.; and, E. L. Moffitt, M.A., J. A. Mills, Esq , G. W. Nurney, Esq. W. N. Pritchard, Esq., W. H. Sipe, Esq., E A. Moffitt, Esq., C. G. Maynard, Esq.

W. S. LONG,
C. C. PEEL,
J. L. FOSTER,
H. W. ELDER,
J. O. ATKINSON,
R. H. PEEL,
Committee.

The name of Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., was added to the report which, on motion, was adopted.

On motion adjourned to meet Monday at 9 a. m. Doxology, and benediction by Rev. W. J. Laine.

THIRD DAY.—MORNING SESSION.

The Convention met. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. C. C. Peel. Roll called, and minutes read and approved. Rev. W. A. Butler, from the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, handed in certificate and was seated.

Revs. M. J. Hunt and L. E. Thompson, of the M. E. church, were invited to seats as deliberative members.

On motion, the speeches on all papers were limited to ten minutes except the chairmen of committees.

The Home Mission Committee submitted its report:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

We, your Committee on Home Missions, desire to submit the following report, viz.:

We note with pleasure that the interest in Home Missions is still increasing, and we feel that the work is being more efficiently done than heretofore. Notwithstanding the large increase of our Home department, yet there are new and inviting fields which press their claims upon the conferences within the borders of this Convention God has greatly blessed us, and in His blessing our responsibilities to the destitute sections of our country and to our fellow men have increased. The field is white. We need men and money to occupy the same.

The Virginia Valley Conference feels the importance of Home Missions and recommends systematic work among its lady members towards raising funds to carry forward the work. They are raising funds for that work as rapidly as they can. They have two points under consideration.

The Georgia and Alabama Conference, realizing the great good accomplished through Home Mission work, have placed in the field Rev. C. M. Dollar as a home missionary. He is laboring mostly in Georgia. He reports the prospect very bright. Six years ago this conference took up the question of Home Missions. Since then they have more than doubled in churches, they have doubled in membership, and nearly doubled in ministers. The growth is attributable to the missionary effort.

The Eastern Virginia Conference. We note that the Christian Memorial Temple, of Norfolk, Va., has become self-sustaining, with a membership of 250. This conference requires at least one Sabbath to the cause of Home Missions, and any church failing to raise the full amount of her assessment is required to show cause for such failure.

Eastern North Carolina Conference reports an inviting field for Home Mission work. Their territory is ripe for the principles of the Christian Church. They need a strong, progressive man in the field to educate and enthuse in them the missionary spirit. Ramseur and Asheboro churches are receiving aid. The outlook is hopeful.

The North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference reports that they have three points that they are aiding. The work at Durham is growing. The pastor, Rev. J. W. Wellons, has in charge too mission points in addition to his regular charge there. The conference expresses itself as needing funds and strong men well sustained to insure success. They recommend an increased assessment for Home Missions.

Asheville is mentioned as a point where we should make an effort to establish our cause.

North Wilkesboro and that section have been spoken of as an inviting field. South Boston is an inviting field. Monthly services are being held there.

The Eastern North Carolina Conference find inviting fields that are calling for the Christian Church. They desire to place a missionary in the field; and

they are making an earest effort to do so. They report four points which they are aiding. Eastern N. C. is a promising and inviting field. One or two strong men should be put in the field at once.

Since you have observed that the field is white, and that the great cry is for men and money, be it Resolved,

I. That we urge all of our conferences to do all in their power to occupy the fields in their respective bounds; and that each conference urge the churches within their bounds to raise the full amount asked for.

II. We urge the conferences to request each of their churches to organize missionary societies, and to have one day set apart in the month of June as Children's Day. The offering of that day to be applied to Home Missions.

III. We ask that a column in the Christian Sun be set apart for the subject of Home Missions. We would recommend the Christian Missionary, published by Rev J. G. Bishop, Dayton, O., as a paper worthy of and deserving our support

We urge that the Christian Missionary Association put one or more missionaries in the field, and would call atttention to Georgia, Alabama, South Carolina, Eastern and Western North Carolina as inviting territory.

V. We ask that each of our conferences make contributions to the Christian Missionary Association for the general work

J. W. WELLLONS,
JAS. L. FOSTER,
P. H. FLEMING,
Committee.

Discussed by Rev. J. W. Wellons, Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., Rev. P. H. Fleming, Rev. P. T. Klapp, Rev. J. W. Holt, Rev. W. H. Ford, Rev. W. G. Clements, Rev. W. C. Wicker, Rev. J. L. Foster, Bro. W. S. Petty. and adopted.

The Treasurer's report was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

John A. Mills, Treasurer,
In acct. with General Convention.
Report June 5, 1896.

FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

1894	J. A. Mills	Dr.	Cr.
May 16	To cash from A. Moring.	$314 48	
Dec 1	To cash from T. W. Strowd,	101 99	
Dec 7	To cash from M. L. Hurley, "Ala"	16 24	
1895 Jany 29	To cash from Bank,	04	
Jany 29	To cash from Eastern N C. Conference,	117 62	
Feby 12	To cash from R. H Peel, Valley Conference,	33 64	
Mch 21	To cash from E. A. Moffitt.	75 00	
Sept 17	To cash from R. H. Peel, Valley Conference,	19 64	
Dec 6	To cash from T. W. Strowd,	115 00	
1896 Feby 28	To cash from J. E. Ballentine,	109 67	
June 3	To cash from E. A Moffitt.	70 00	
1894 June 9	By check J. G. Bishop,		$200 00
1895 Jan 11	By check J. G. Bishop,		200 00
Dec 6	By check J. G. Bishop,		200 00
1896 May 17	By commission on $903.32 @ 1½ per cent,		13 54
	By amount on hand to Bal,		359 78
		$973 32	$973 32

CONVENTION FUND.

	J. A. Mills	Dr.	Cr.
1894 May 16	To cash from A. Moring,	$176 83	
1896 May 17	By commission on $176.83 @ 1½ per cent,		$ 2 64
	By amount on hand to Bal,		174 19
		$176 83	$176 83

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

	J. A. Mills	Dr.	Cr.
1894 May 16	To cash from A. Moring,	$5 35	
May 16	By commission,		$ 08
	By amount on hand to Bal,		5 27
		$5 35	$5 35

PUBLICATION FUND.

	J. A. Mills	Dr.	Cr.
1894 Dec 5	To cash from W. G. Clements,	$ 51 28	
1895 May 7	To cash from W. G. Clements,	20 03	
1896 June 8	To cash from E. L. Moffitt, Pub. Agent, Hymnaries,	94 96	
1895 May 7	By commission,		$ 1 06
May 7	By amt paid Hurley & Moffitt,		47 43
Mch 7	By amt paid N. G. Newman,		4 00
Mch 7	By amt paid P. J. Kernodle,		100 00
	By amt on hand to Bal,		13 78
		$166 27	$166 27

I have Bro. W. G. Clements' note for $122 40, which, when paid, will go to credit of Publication Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. MILLS.

REPORT J. A. MILLS.

BILLS RECEIVABLE—GENERAL CONVENTION FUND.

Dated		
May 21, 1889	D M Williams,	$ 35 00
May 21, 1889	J F Pleasants,	35 00
Apr 7, 1889	J F Pleasants,	25 00
Dec 6, 1892	W D Harward,	43 60
Mch 23, 1891	J F Pleasants,	51 25
May 21, 1889	W C Wicker,	40 00
Apr 7, 1889	D M Williams,	25 00
Mch 3, 1888	H W Elder,	20 00
Mch 23, 1891	D M Williams,	51 25
Mch 23, 1891	W C Wicker,	51 25
May 18, 1889	H W Elder,	20 00
Apr 10, 1889	W S Long and J P Barrett,	100 00
Dec 17, 1895	P J Kernodle,	100 00
May 7, 1895	W G Clements, Publication,	122 40
		$719 75

GENTLEMEN:—While it is not my place and may be altogether out of order I feel that the Convention at this session should make some disposition of the above notes. Mr. Pleasant's notes amount to $111.25, and I am informed he has left us: besides, I am very much opposed to furnishing means for young men by the General Convention. As a general rule, if a boy has not pluck enough to go through alone, he will be no good after you have carried him through.

Yours, &c.,

J. A. MILLS.

The report of the Publishing Agent was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORT OF PUBLISHING AGENT.

Report of E. L. Moffitt as Publishing Agent
of the Southern Christian Convention,
From July 2, 1894, to Jan. 5, 1896.

Received from Rev. W. G. Clements, former Publishing Agent, July 2, 1894:—

256 Good Hymnaries, No 1
58 Good Hymnaries, No 2
52 Good Hymnaries, No 3
3 Good Hymnaries, No 4
66 Slightly Damaged, No 1
62 Badly Damaged, No 1

To cash for 58 Good Hymnaries No 1,	$47 80	
To cash for 47 Slightly Damaged Hymnaries, No 1,	23 50	
To cash for 63 Badly Damaged Hymnaries and Postage, No 1,	19 56	
To cash for 2 Good Hymnaries, No 2.	2 50	
To cash for 10 Good Hymnaries, Names and Postage, No 3,	14 66	
To cash for 1 Good Hymnary and Name, No 4,	3 25	
By cash paid on Postage and Names,		$ 5 19
By commission on Sales,		11 12
By cash paid J. A. Mills, Treasurer,		94 96
	$111 27	$111 27

E. L. MOFFITT,
June 5, 1896 Publishing Agent.

On motion, a committee of three was appointed to report a plan recommending the Conferences to group the churches and pastors into pastorates. Committee: Rev. J. W. Wellons, Rev. M. W. Butler, Bro. J. H. Fleming.

The Committee on Publications submitted partial report. Discussed by Rev. N. G. Newman, W. G. Clements, Bro. J. H. Fleming, Rev. W. G. Clements, Rev. W. H. Ford, Prof. E. L. Moffitt, and re-committed with instructions.

Bro. J. A. Mills, of the Eastern North Carolina Conference handed in certificate and was enrolled.

On motion, adjourned to meet at 2:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention met. The Committee on Publications resubmitted its report, which was considered by items and adopted.

PARTIAL REPORT OF PUBLICATION COMMITTEE.

Since our last session your committee has transacted the following business:

1. We accepted the resignation of W. G. Clements, Publishing agent, ap-

proved the transfer of the editorship of the SUN from W. G. Clements to E. L. Moffitt, and elected Hurley & Moffitt Publishing Agents.

2. We appointed N. G. Newman to take an inventory of the hymnaries on hand, with authority to turn the same over to Hurley & Moffitt, the newly elected agents.

The inventory was as follows:

No. 1. Badly damaged, 62; No. 1. slightly, 66; No. 1. Not damaged, 256; No. 2. Not damaged, 58; No. 3. Not damaged, 52; No. 4. Not damaged, 3. Total 497.

The report of retiring Publishing Agent showed a shortage of 51 hymnaries —23 No. 1's. and 22 No 2's. The agent stated to your committee that he did not know how the shortage occurred—that they might have been stolen from the office, or there might haye been a mistake in the original count at Dayton, Ohio, or in filling orders, or in the inventory. After investigation we attach no blame to our retiring agent for shortage.

3 We recommend that the former publishing agent be relieved from liability for damage to hymnaries caused by a flooding of the office during a rainstorm We fixed the price of the badly damaged hymnaries at 30 cents per copy, the slightly damaged at 50 cents per copy.

We order the retiring agent to pay over to the treasurer of the Convention the amount due, $142.43, and report the same to the Secretary of committee which was promptly done

5. We fixed the price of the Principles and Government of the Christian Church as follows: Cloth, 50 cents; paper, 25 cents; morocco, 75 cents; and granted Prof. Kernodle, the publisher, the exclusive control of their sale, until compensated for printing and binding them.

We also approved the binding of 300 copies in cloth, 300 in paper, and 100 in morocco. The publisher was excused for not having the work electrotyped.

7. We recommended to the Executive Committee of Convention the loan of $100 to Prof. Kernodle, publisher of the Principles and Government of the Christian Church, to aid him in meeting the expense of binding the same.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. We recommend that the Publishing Agent be allowed 15 per cent for handling hymnaries and Principles and Government of the Christian Church.

2. We note with pride the efficiency and progress of the Sun, and most heartily recommend it to our people.

We also recommend the Herald of Gospel Liberty, and specially urge our people to use our Sunday School literature, published at Dayton, Ohio.

In conclusion we beg to recommend a fuller and more hearty co-operation in the support of our literature, both in production and sale, and urge the distribution among our people of a literature of highly devotional character.

N. G. NEWMAN,
J. O. ATKINSON,
W. J. LAINE,
W. C. WICKER,
C. C. PEEL.

The following resolution was offered:

RESOLVED, That this Convention take into consideration the advisability of establishing a Publishing House.

JOHN A. MILLS,
W. S. LONG,
E. L. MOFFITT.

Chapter III. subsection I. of the Principles of the church was amended to read as follows:

The Lord Jesus Christ is the only Head of the Church, and any other pretending to be Head thereof, should be regarded as that man of sin and son of perdition, who exalteth himself above all that is called God.

The President announced the following committee on Orphanage: Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., J. A. Mills, E. L. Moffitt.

The committee to which was referred the communication on Public Charities, reported as follows:

REPORT ON PUBLIC CHARITIES.

We your committee appointed to make suitable recommendations upon the suggestion of the Board of Public Charities, of North Carolina, would respectfully submit the following:

Upon examination we find that this matter pertains exclusively to North Carolina and that this Convention is composed of men from different States, therefore we deem it unwise for this body to make any recommendations, but urge the Christian Conferences within the bounds of North Carolina to take such action upon the paper as they deem wise.

JAS. L. FOSTER,
W. S. LONG,
E. L. MOFFITT.

The report was adopted.

Rev. J. W. Patton, of the Western North Carolina Conference was seated.

The report of Foreign Mission Board was read by the chairman. Having been discussed by Rev. J. L. Foster, Rev. J. W. Holt and Rev. P. T. Klapp, it was recommitted with instructions.

Moved that the Executive Committee, after consultation with the Standing committees prepare a program of exercises and publish the same in advance of the meeting of next bi-ennial Convention. Carried.

On motion, Rev. P. T. Klapp was granted leave of absence.

[Monday night was given to the Missionary Association, at which nearly $300 was collected.—SEC.]

On motion, adjourned to meet tomorrow at 9 a. m. Benediction by Rev. M. L. Hurley.

FOURTH DAY.—MORNING SESSION.

Convention convened. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. T. B. Dawson.

The committee to report on the grouping of the churches and pastors submitted the following:

MAJORITY REPORT.

Your committee appointed to consider the expediency of a recommendation to the conferences to group the churches and pastors into pastorates, would report that we think such a recommendation would be impracticable.

M. W. BUTLER,

J. H. FLEMING.

The minority report was offered as follows as an amendment:

WHEREAS, the growth of the churchs and its prosperity depends largely on having a well disciplined ministry and churches. And we believe that we need more discipline in our church work. We recommend the grouping of our churches together where they can be supplied at less expense, and to better advantage, both to ministers and churches.

RESOLVED, 1. That we recommend the several Conferences composing this Convention to group its churches into pastorates. And any minister serving a part of the pastorate must serve all the churches in the pastorate.

RESOLVED, 2 That the arrangement be affected between the pastor and the pastorate annually and reported to the committee on Home Missions. And all postorates failing to make such an arrangement with a pastor will be aided by the said committee in securing them a pastor.

RESOLVED, 3 That each pastorate be requested to take steps to build a parsonage at an early day, where the minister can serve his churches more efficiently, and be far more useful in his work.

RESOLVED. 4. That the Home Committees report be adopted by the Annual Conference and that the ministers and churches composing the pastorates be held amenable to the Conferences for the faithful performance of their several duties.

RESOLVED, 5. That each pastorate hold a meeting to be composed of the ministers and delegates selected by the church, of conference ratio, of the pastorate just before the Annual Conference. And that the pastor be required to submit a report to the meeting in detail of the condition of each church composing the pastorate, number of members received, baptized, etc. And at said pastorate meeting to ascertain whether the pastor's salary with the conference assessments has been raised.

J. W. WELLONS.

The report was discussed by Rev. W. T. Herndon, Bro. W. S. Petty, Rev. J. W. Wellons, Rev. W. H. Ford, Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., Rev. W. G. Clements. On motion the report was laid on the table.

The following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, That any trustee of Elon colledge who shall fail to attend the meeting of the board for two consecutive meeting, without a good and sufficient reason, shall forfeit his membership on said board, and that the vacancy be filled by the board in session.

J. A. MILLS.

The Board on Foreign Missions re-submitted its report, which was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We your Board on Foreign Missions beg leave to report that during the two years since the General convention of the Christian church South, which met in the city of Norfolk, Va., May 4, 1894, have forwarded to Rev. J. G. Bishop for the support of our Japan mission.

June, 4. 1894	$200
January, 11, 1895	200
December, 6, 1895	200

Our statistics show an increasing degree of prosperity in the Japan Mission and that our dear missionaries are faithful in their work. The statistics of our Japan mission for the year ending October 1, 1895 are as follows: 12 missionaries; five of which are Americans; two men and three ladies, and seven natives, two ordained and five unordained; 19 native helpers; four organized churches; two stations; five out stations; 33 addition up to last October, up to the same date losses 18; present membership 240; 10 Sabbath schools with 396 scholars; one theological school with seven pupils; three day schools with 80 pupils. A good building has been purchased in Tokio and paid for, large enough to accommodate one missionary family, the theological and training school, with some other rooms which may be used for Bible women. The funds with which this building was purchased was given by the Rhode Island and Massachusetts Conference, and one handsome church building has been erected in Oji Japan.

From these facts it will be seen that we are making advancement in the foreign work, but it is only a start, we must do more. Therefore,

"We recommend that each of our ministers take the Christian Missionary, published by Rev. J. G. Bishop, of Dayton, Ohio, and that they may become better informed concerning our Japan mission. This 16 page, monthly periodical will cost only 50 cents per year.

(2.) We recommend that each conference belonging to this convention be required to make special effort to raise not less than the following amounts, viz.: Valley Va., $50; Ga. & Ala. $50; Eastern N. C. $150; Western N. C. $150; N. C. & Va. $200; and Eeastern Va. $400. Making a total of $1,000, equal to about seven cents per member.

(3.) We recommend that the Treasurer of each conference be required immediately after adjournment to forward all money belonging to Foreign Mission funds to the Treasurer of this Convention, J. A. Mills, Raleigh, N. C. and take his receipt for their voucher.

(4.) We recommend the organization of a woman's Foreign Missionary Association, and that Mrs. J. L. Foster in the bounds of the Eastern N C Conference. Mrs. P. H. Fleming in Western N. C., Miss Annie Graham in the N. C. & Va. Conference; Miss Florence Neff in the Valley Va. Conference; Mrs. Mittie V. Ames, in the Eeastern Va., Conference and Miss Bettie Stephenson, Miltown Ala. in the Ga. & Ala., Conference, be treasurers respectively.

(5.) All money raised by said Asseciation shall be forwarded to the Treasurer of the Southern Convention at least annually.

(6.) All orders on the treasurer of this Convention for Foreign Mission Funds be drawn in favor of Rev. J. F. Burnett, Secretary of the American Christian Conventon, Eaton, Ohio.

P. T. KLAPP,
J. W. HOLT,
C. C. PEEL,
J. W. PATTON.

The Committee on Publications to which was referred the Resolutions respecting the establishment of a Publishing House, reported the following, which was adopted:

Your committee to whom was referred the rseolution concerning the advisability of establishing a Publishing House, would report favorably on the same.

N. G. NEWMAN,
W. J. LAINE,
W. C. WICKER,
C. C. PEEL,
J. O. ATKINSON.

The following resolutions were offered by Bro. J. A Mills.

RESOLVED, That we establish a Publishing House, and that this Convention purchase The Christian Sun if satisfactory terms can be arranged with the present owner.

2nd, And in order to do this, be it Resolved, That the conferences composing this Convention be assessed the equivalent of ten cents per capita for a term of five years.

3rd, And that friends in this Convention and throughout the church be asked to contribute to the furtherance of this enterprise.

JOHN A. MILLS,
W. S. LONG,
E. L. MOFFITT.

Discussed by Rev. C. C. Peel, Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., Rev. J. W. Holt, Rev. P. H. Fleming, Bro. J. A. Mills, Rev. M. W. Butler, Rev. Martyn Summerbell, D. D., Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., and adopted.

On motion a committee of three was appointed to report respecting the purchase of the Christian Sun, and further plans in accordance with above report. Committee: J. H. Fleming, J. A. Mills, T. R. Gaskins.

Report of Committee on Finance was read and adopted.

The committee on Finance respectfully report that they have examined the report of the Treasurer of the Children's Fund, and find that he has on hand $66.96, contributed for the assistance of ministerial students, and we recommend that the same be paid to the treasurer of the Convention for that purpose.

The committee recommend that future collections be applied to support and maintainence of the orphans, when our orphanage is established, and if an orphanage should fail to be established that the money so raised may be used for furnishing a Biblical Library for Elon College, and that the money collected be paid quarterly to the Treasurer of the Convention.

The committee have examined the report of the Publishing Agent, and find the same correct.

The Committee have also examined the report of the Treasurer, and his receipts for disbursement, and find the same correct.

The committee recommend that the notes against D. M. Williams be remitted and cancelled, he having died without estate before completing his education.

The committee recommend that the notes against J F. Pleasants be collected at once, if possible, he having left the Christian church.

They further recommend that the notes against the other parties who have completed their education or stoppek school, be collected as early as practicable, that the money may be used for other purposes.

J. H. FLEMING.
T. R. GASKINS,
J. W. HOLT.

On motion, adjourned to meet at 2 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention convened.

On motion, the memorial from the N. C. & Va. Conference with reference to co-operative union between the M. P. church and the Christian church was granted. (See Annual, minutes of 1895.)

The committee to recommend plans for the establishment and control of a publishing house reported as follows, which was adopted:

The committee to recommend plans for the establishment of the Publishing House report as follows:

We recommend that a Board of Directors consisting of five members, to be elected by the Convention, have charge of the Publishing House and all business pertaining thereto. That the said directors shall elect a chairman secretary and treasurer, and said Board shall have full power to do and perform all things that are necessary and proper to be done to carry out the resolutions providing for a Publishing House which have been adopted by this Convention at its present session, and shall make full report of its work to each and every meeting of this Convention. A majority of said Board shall constitute a quorum.

That the Treasurer of said Board shall give bond in such sum as will secure the funds in his hands.

That the Convention and Publication Funds of this body be at the disposal of this Board of Directors after the obligations of the Convention have been settled.

J. H. FLEMING,
J. A. MILLS,
T. R. GASKINS.

Moved that a committee of one from each Conference be appointed to make nominations for Board of Directors. Carried.

On motion, Raleigh Christian church was unanimously selected as the next place for the holding of the Convention, time Friday before first Sunday in May, 1898.

The report of the committee was received, and the nominees duly elected.

We, your committee to nominate a Board of Directors for the Publishing House, recommend the following: J. A. Mills, P H. Fleming, E. E. Holland, W. J. Lee, J W. Holt.

Respectfully submitted.

J. L. FOSTER,
P. H. FLEMING,
H. W. ELDER,
R. H. PEEL,
W. S. LONG.

On motion the matter of publishing a word edition of

the Hymnary was referred to the Committee on Publications to publish as soon as deemed expedient.

RESOLVED, That this Convention tender this church and pastor and town its hearty appreciation and thanks for their kind hospitality shown us while in their midst.

W. J. LAINE.

The following were announced by the President as Standing Committees:

Publications: J. P. Barrett, M. W. Butler, N. G. Newman, W. J. Laine and J. F. West.

Schools and Colleges: W. S. Long, J. O. Atkinson, W. C. Wicker, E. L. Moffitt and J. H. Fleming.

Home Missions: J. W. Wellons, J. L. Foster, W. G. Clements, P. H. Fleming, H. W. Elder and S. A. Holleman.

Foreign Missions: P. T. Klapp, J. W. Holt, R. H. Peel, J. W. Patton and T. W. Strowd.

Executive Committee: W. W. Staley, E. E. Holland, P. J. Kernodle.

On motion, the proceedings were ordered to be published in the Annual.

On motion, the Secretary was requested to furnish a brief of the minutes for publication in the Christian Sun.

Informal talks were made by a number of the members of the Convention—expressive of the good will and Christian fellowship—Rev. J. W. Wellons, Capt. J. A. Turrentine and others.

On motion, adjourned to meet at Raleigh, N. C., Friday before first Sunday in May, 1898. Doxology and benediction by Rev. J. W. Wellons.

P. J. KERNODLE, Sec., Suffolk, Va.
W. W. STALEY, Pres., Suffolk, Va.
N. G. NEWMAN, Asst.Sec., Suffolk, Va.
J. W. WELLONS, Vic-Pres., Durham, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

—OF THE—

Virginia Valley Christian Conference,

HELD AT LINVILLE, VA.

LINVILLE, ROCKINGHAM, CO., VA., Sept. 3, 1896.

The Va. Valley Christian Conference met in regular annual session today at the Christian church at Linville, and was called to order by Rev. R. H. Peel, President of last session. Devotional exercise were conducted by Dr. W. T. Herndon of the N. C. & Va. Confernce. The roll was called and the following members responded:

Ministers, Rev. R. H. Peel.

Churches and their Delegates—Antioch: T. H. Showalter, J. S. Kagey, and C. H. Swank; Bethlehem: D. C. Strickler, J. S. Martz; Concord: Not represented; Linville: Not represented.

Rev. R. H. Peel was elected President for the ensuing year. Bro. J. J. Lincoln Vice-President and Bro. D. J. Sipe, Assistant Secretary.

The following alternates were requested to fill vacancies in the delegation in their respective churches: B. F. Zirkle, Antioch; J. J. Lincoln, Bethlehem; D. J. Sipe, Linville.

On motion Dr. W. T. Herndon ot the N. C. & Va. Conference and Prof. E. L. Moffitt, editor of The Christian Sun, were invited to seats as deliberative members in this body.

On motion the delivering of the Annual Address was postponed until to-morrow at 11:30 o'clock.

The following were appointed a committee to arrange a schedule for meeting and adjournment; D. J. Sipe; J. J. Lincoln, and C. H. Swank.

The pastor and delegates of this church were constituted a committee on religious exercises.

The following were elected fraternal messengers to other conferences—

E. Va. Conference: Rev. R. H. Peel and J. S. Martz; N. C. & Va. Conference: B. F. Black and D. J. Sipe; W. N. C. Conference: Revs. C. H. Swank and D. T. Deans; E. N. C. Conference: J. J. Lincoln and D. J. Sipe; Ga. & Ala. Conference: T. H. Showalter and D. C. Strickler; Va. Central: J. J. Lincoln, C. H. Swank, and J. S. Martz.

Reports of Fraternal Messengers were called, Bros. J. S. Martz and D. J. Sipe reported that they visited the Va. Central Conference.

Dr. W. T. Herndon gave an encouraging report, bearing fraternal greeting from the N. C. & Va. Conference.

Conference adopted the following schedule for meeting and adjournment: meet at 9:30 a. m. and and adjourn at 12 m.; met at 2 p. m. and adjourn at will.

The committee on religious exercises reported that we will have no preaching to-day, and that the Annual Address will take the place of sermon to-morrow.

Conference adjourned to meet at 2 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order by the President. Prayer by Prof. E. L. Moffitt.

Miss Samantha White from Concord church was enrolled as a delegate.

Revs. Solomon Baugher and E. T. Iseley of Va. Central Conference were invited to seats as deliberative members.

A motion to reconsider the adoption of schedule this morning was carried, and the following schedule was adopted: Meet at 9:30 a. m., and adjourn at 11:30 a. m. Meet at 1:30 p. m. and adjourn at will.

On motion Rev. P. H. Fleming of the W. N. C. Conference was requested to deliver the next Annual Address before this body with Rev. R. H. Peel as his alternate.

Bethlehem was chosen as the place for holding the next annual session of this body.

On motion all members of standing committees were

made deliberative members.

Bro. D. J. Sipe was appointed on the committee on religious literature, to fill a vacancy caused by the absence of Bro. B. F. Black.

A letter from Bro. B. F. Black, a ministerial student in Elon College, was read before conference and refered to the Committee on Education.

On motion, the chair was instructed to appoint a Committee to arrange the order of business for this body at its next meeting and report during the sitting of the present session. J. J. Lincoln, J. S. Kagey, and J. S. Martz, were appointed.

On motion of Prof. J. J. Lincoln, to-morrow at 11 a. m. was set apart to hear Dr. Herndon in behalf of the Christian Missionary Association.

Ministerial reports were called for, and a report from Rev. R. H. Peel was handed in and read.

The church letter from Bethlehem church was read and referred to the delegates of Bethlehem church for revision.

The following report from the Executive Committee was read and adopted.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT.

Your committee had one meeting during the interim of this Conference. The business done was to apportion the pastor's salary among the four churches, making a total of $450; and fixing of the necessary per cent on property-holding members at 21 per cent on the amount of State and county tax paid the past year, which was duly made known to the several churches.

Rev. E. T. Iseley was granted a letter of transfer to the Central Virginia Conference

The conference Treasurer reported $81.55 in cash, and $69 07 in notes. The Treasurer was authorized to collect the notes or have the parties renew with security to be approved by Executive Committee.

On motion of E. Sipe, a member of the Executive Committee appointed by Virginia Valley Christian Conference, a religious body, the court doth appoint W. H. Sipe, of Linville church, C. A. Henton, of Antioch church, J. J. Lincoln, of Bethlehem church, J. S Martz, of Concord church, and Albert H. Liskey Trustees of said Virginia Valley Christian Conference.

Executed October 5th, 1895.

D. H. LEE MARTZ,
Clerk.

The Committee on Religious Exercises reported preaching to-night by Rev. S. Baugher.

Conference adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9:30 a. m.

SECOND DAY, SEPT. 4.

Conference was called to order by the President.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Dr. J. P. Barrett, of the E. Va. C. C.

The roll was called, and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Bro. C. E. Conard was enrolled as a delegate from Linville.

The Committee on Sunday Schools offered for readoption the same report adopted by this body at its last session. The report, after being discussed by Bros. J. S. Martz, J. J. Lincoln and Dr. Barrett, was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Sunday Schools, submit our report.

We have Sunday School at each of the four churches within the bounds of this conference, and they are in a fairly prosperous condition—still, much room for improvement. It is with pleasure and thanks to God that we notice the revivals in some of the churches, which have been instrumental in leading some of the Sunday School scholars into the Saviour's fold. Never has there been a time when our people have seen the necessity of the Sabbath School as now. Therefore we urge an earnest effort on the part of our pastors, superintendents, and parents in behalf of getting the children into the Sabbath School.

As a committee we suggest that the officers and teachers be punctual in their attendance, and that the presiding officers be prompt in opening the exercises at the appointed time.

We further recommend the continued use of the Christian literature. We believe there is none suited better for the upbuilding and growth of the Christian church.

JOHN S. MARTZ,
D. P. ROSENBERGER.

The hour having arrived for special order of business, Dr. W. T. Herndon gave an interesting talk in behalf of the Christian Missionary Association. Dr. J. P. Barrett also gave a short talk on the same subject.

Conference adjourned for the delivering of the Annual Address and for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conferenece called to order by the president.

The following delegates were enrolled: W. H. Sipe of Linville, and J. C. Huffman of Concord.

New Hope, a Christian church of thirty-seven members, recently organized near Keezeltown applied for membership in this body. The church was admitted and

their delegate, Abram Liskey, and B. A. Armentrout, were enrolled.

Church letters from Linville and Antioch churches were read.

The Foreign Mission report was read, discussed by Revs. E. T. Iseley, Dr. Barrett and Dr. Herndon, and adopted as follows:

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT.

Perhaps no church has been more successful in the foreign land than the Christian, in proportion to the amount our people have given to sustain our missionaries. We now have in Japan five missionaries and six native pastors.

According to the information we have been enabled to obtain, our mission in Japan is doing reasonably well.

Our people are not doing all they might in this great and important work of carrying the gospel to those who are dying without it. While there are some of our people who are doing well in both giving of their money and time to support our misssonaries now in the field, others are doing but little, while others are doing nothing.

At ten cents per member the Christians would raise twelve thousand dollars each year.

We recommend: That each church be assessed be ten cents per member for the Foreign Mission cause

The contributions of the churches for foreign work is as follows: Antioch, 13.56; Linville, 4 00; Concord, 1.30; Bethlehem, 3 10.

ADA A. ISELEY.

EMMA R. S. RHODES.

The report on Religious Literature was read and after discussion was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

As an author is known by his writings, so we may say a church is known by her literature. It is believed by many that there is a Southern literature springing into life that is destined to rival the New England literature. It remains then for us to say whether the Christian church shall lag behind in this great movement. or whether it shall march boldly to the front and by the means of its pure and unbiased principles create such a benign atmosphere throughont this beautiful Southland that will be far more congenial to a great literature than were the Puritanic or the Calvinistic principles to the great Northern literature.

We have some good literature. Let us begin this great work by reading and assimilating what we have thoroughly, and also giving it our full support in the diffusion to strangers. In this way, brethren, we may create a demand: a demand once made. then our literature shall be forthcoming. Therefore, seeing the needs, we, your committee, recommend:

1. That we as a body put forth greater efforts to supply our homes with those books which proclaim our principles and in all the blessed truths found in that Book of all books on which we iake our stand as a church.

2. That our ministers in their annual letters to conference be required to report the number of renewals and subscribers to the Christian Sun they have received or helped to receive during each year.

3. That this conference ratify the action of the Geheral Convention in regard to the establishing of a Publishing House; and we also urge the churches of this conference to raise the amount asked for, which is ten cents per member. This is a step in the right direction, and should receive the hearty support of all.

4. That all our Sunday Schools use the literature published by our Publishing House at Dayton, Ohio.

5. That we encourage by our sympathetic support all efforts to increase the volume of our relig'ous literature along all lines of church belief and church work.

D. C. STRICKLER,
J. S. KAGEY,
D. JENNINGS SIPE,
Committee.

On motion, the chair was requested to appoint a committee to look after the matter of securing a pastor for the churches of Antioch, Bethlehem, Concord, and Linville. Rev. C. H. Swank, J. S. Martz, D. J. Sipe and Miss Samantha White were appointed.

The Treasurer offered the following report which Conference adopted:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

	HOME MISSIONS.		
Aug 29, 1895	To cash, notes, and interest collected,		$167 28
Aug 31, 1895	By cash paid Rev. C. H. Swank,		15 00
Sept 3, 1896	Total on hand in notes and cash,		152 28
	FOREIGN MISSIONS.		
Aug 29, 1895	To cash on hand,		19 64
Aug 31, 1895	By cash paid Rev. R. H. Peel,		19 64
	CONTINGENT FUND.		
Aug 29, 1895	To cash in hand,		15 25
Aug 31, 1895	By cash paid Bro. J. S. Kagey,	6 28	
Aug 31, 1895	By cash paid for Annualls,	8 45	
		14 73	—14 73
Sept 3, 1896	To ballance on hand.		42

COLLECTIONS AT CONFERENCE.

HOME MISSIONS.		FOREIGN MISSIONS.	
Antioch,	$27 96	Antioch,	$13 56
Bethlehem,	2 50	Bethlehem,	3 10
Linville,	6 55	Linville,	4 00
Concord,	1 70	Concord,	1 30
	$38 41	Public collection at Conference,	4 07
			$26 03

CONTINGENT FUND.		EDUCATIONAL FUND.	
Antioch,	$6 82	Antioch,	$12 00
Bethlehem,	3 50	Bethlehem,	8 25
Linville,	2 40	Linville,	3 00
Concord,	1 11	Concerd,	75
	$13 83		$24 00

C. D. MAPHIS.

Ministerial report of Rev. C. H. Swank was read.

A resolution requesting the churches of this Conference to abstain from holding church fairs, festivals, etc., for the purpose of raising money for the church enterprises, was offered. After a spirited discussion by Bro. J. S. Martz, Prof. J. J. Lincoln, and Dr. J. P. Barrett, the resolution was tabled until to-morrow morning.

Conference adjourned by singing "Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow."

THIRD DAY, SEPT. 5.

Conference called to order by the President.

Devotional exercises conducted by Prof. E. L. Moffitt.

The roll of members was called and the proceedings of yesterday read and approved.

The resolution pending yesterday evening was taken up and discussed by J. S. Martz, Rev. S. Baugher, J. J. Lincoln, Prof. Moffitt, Dr. Herndon and Dr. Barrett, and adopted.

Conference adjourned for preaching and dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President. Report of Committee on Education was offered. The report was taken up by sections, and after discussion adopted as a whole, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

We recognize and endorse the educational advantages at Elon College. Already our people have received an impetus and an inspiration from this source educationally not heretofore experienced in our church. For the co-education of our young young people no institution has its superior and may we not say its equal in the East. The institution should receive our heartiest support for yet higher usefulness and broader influence.

We granted Bro. B. F. Black one hundred and fifty dollars last year that he might continue his course at college as our ministerial student.

(1) We recommend that the interest on the one hundred dollars borrowed last year by the conference be paid out of the Educational Fund.

(2) We recommene that the balance of the Eudcational Fund be loaned to Bro. Black without interest, to be returned to the conference at the end of two years.

(3) We recommend that conference raise fifty dollars additional to the educational fund, and said fifty dollars be loaned to Bro. Black to be returned to conference three years after his graduation without interest.——Bro. Black continued in college last year and was promoted in his classes. He has been preaching for Rev. P. H. Fitming this summer, and has made a favorable report to the committee.

(4) We heartily endorse the action of the General Convention in its action relative to the Biblical Chair and to the Publishing House.

(5) We recommend and insist that our own church people having children to send from home that they patronize Elon College in preference to any other institution of learning.

(6) We recommend that licentiates report to conference the course of study being pursued and the progress made along the line of study laid down in Church Government Chapter II, Sections 4 and 5.

(7) We recommend that the different churches be assessed the same as last year for educational purposes.

J. J. LINCOLN,
D. C. STRICKLER.

On motion of Prof. J. J. Lincoln, W. H. Sipe was appointed a Committee of one to raise the fifty dollars provided for in section three of report of Educational Committee.

On motion of J. S. Martz, the matter of securing a pastor for the churches of Antioch, Bethlehem, Concord and Linville, was taken up, The President called Dr. J. P. Barrett to the chair and withdrew from the house.

The Committee on arrangement for pastor reported as follows:

This Committee has not been able to come to any conclusion as to calling a pastor for the churches named.

On motion of J. S. Martz, the matter of securing a pastor for the above named churches was referred to the delegates of said churches, and if they fail to secure a pastor during the sitting of Conference the matter be transferred to the Executive Committee of Conference. The delegates from Bethlehem, Antioch, Linville, and Concord reported that they would call Rev. R. H. Peel at a salary of four hundred and fifty dollars (450.00). Said amount to be apportioned among the churches according to the plan followed last year.

The Committee on Home Mission offered their report which was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Home Missions submit the following.

Amount of collections for the year ending Sept. 1st, 1896: Antioch, $27.96; Linville, $6.55; Bethlehem, $2.50; Concord $1.70; total, $38.71.

We are glad to see that the Home Mission collections are increasing each year; and trust that the churches of this conference may more fully realize the importance of giving along this line. We would recommend that the ladies appointed for this work will continue their efforts with unabated zeal.

We would recommend that conference appropriate $50 of the Home Mission money for the benefit of the newly organized church, New Hope, to be paid quarterly, provided they go ahead and put up a church house.

We also further recommend that we pay Rev, E. T. Iseley ten dollars for

services in organizing said church; and that we pay Rev. C. H. Swank ten dollars as a credit on his note toward same organization.

We also recommend that a committee of one from each church be appointed by the chair to decide on a good mission point, and that said committee be empowered to contract with some Christian minister to supply regular services to said mission point, the cost not to exceed fifty dollars, to be paid out of Home Mission Fund.

We would request of the Home Mission Treasurer to give this body a statement of all the Home Mission money and notes, and if settlement has been made as adopted at last conference.

Respectfully submitted.

W. H. SIPE,

T. H. SHOWALTER.

The Committee on Moral Reforms offered the following report which was adopted:

REPORT ON MORAL REFORM.

This subject is one that demands a more earnest awakening of our people. There is nothing that comes nearer touching men's hearts, outside the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ.

1. We advise our people to study this subject in all of its purity.
2. That we use the Word of God in seeking for wisdom, following it in all its teaching.
3. That we, the people of God, teach by example as well as by precept those principles that will lift up humanity to a higher sphere in life.

C. H. SWANK,

J. C. HUFFMAN,

D. JENNINGS SIPE,

Committee.

The Chair announced the following Standing Committees for the ensuing year:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Executive.—J. S. Martz, C. H. Swank, W. H. Sipe, J. C Huffman, Abram Liskey.

Sunday Schools.—J. S. Martz, D. C. Strickler, T. H. Showalter.

Home Missions.—W. H. Sipe, T. H. Showalter, Miss Samantha White, J. S. Kagey.

Foreign Missions.—Florence V. Neff, Emma Rhodes, Samantha White, Mary Pickering, Annie Liskey

Moral Reform.—C. H. Swank, D. J. Sipe, Casper Huffman.

Religious Literature.—D. J. Sipe, D. C. Strickler, J. S. Kagey.

Education.—J. J. Lincoln, D. C. Strickler, T. H Showalter.

On motion, for Bro. J. S. Martz, the name Rev. R. H. Peel was added as Chairman of the Executive Committee and the Committee on Education.

Ministerial report of Rev. D. T. Deans was read.

The Chair appointed the following to collect contingent fund in the several churches: Antioch, Miss Sopha R. Byrd; Bethlehem, Miss Lydia Pickering; Linville, Miss Roberta Fletcher; Concord, Miss Gertie Golladay; New Hope, Miss Sallie Liskey.

The Chair appointed the following Committee to look after a mission point as provided for in Home Mission report: W. H. Sipe, C. H. Swank, J. C. Huffman, J. S. Martz, and Abram Liskey.

On motion, the following resolution was read and adopted:

RESOLVED, That the Executive Committee be instructed to collect at once the out-standing notes belonging to the conference or to accept new notes with approved security: and upon its failure to do so, that the Board of Trustees of Conference proceed to have this matter settled satisfactorily.

On motion, the Treasurer was ordered to pay the Secretary of Conference five dollars and fifty cents for work and incidental expenses.

On motion, Conference ordered $15.00 paid to Prof. E. L. Moffitt for printing the minutes of this session of Conference in the Christian Annual—$8.33 in the treasury on contingent fund to be paid for said printing and the balance, $6.67, to be apportioned among the churches as follows: Antioch $2.37; Bethlehem $1.85; Linville $1.35; and Concord $1.10.

A vote of thanks was tendered the members and friends of Linville church for hospitalities shown toward members and visitors during Conference.

On motion of Rev. C. H. Swank the churches of Conference were assessed 15 cts. per member for contingent fund.

On mothin, Conference adjourned to meet with the church at Bethlehem on Thursday before the first Sunday in September 1897.

R. H. PEEL, Pres.
Amberly, Va.

J. S. KAGEY, Secretary,
Linville, Va.

MINISRERIAL REPORT OF D. T. DEANS.

To the Valley Virginia Christian Conference,
Linville, Va.:

Dear Brethren in Conference assembled.—

Circumstances with which I am surrounded debar me of the privilege and pleasure of being with you in council at our approaching session, hence this letter to your body.

Being physically prevented, on account of throat trouble, the ministration of the pulpit, I have been compelled to seek in secular pursuits a living for self and family, yet the church and cause for which I spent the days of my life is as dear to me as when in young manhood I enlisted under the beautiful banner on whose folds are inscribed those Five Cardinal Principles which shall be the ruling cry of all the redeemed hosts at the epilogue of time. Work unitedly. Bear each other's burdens. Deal justly. Love mercy, and ever walk humbly with God: and may His Spirit direct you to this end, is the prayer of your brother in Christ.

D. T. DEANES.

MINISTERIAL REPORT OF C. H. SWANK.

One mission point in charge.
Sermons preached, 4.
Prayer meeting held, not known.
Number of visits, not known.
Number of conversions, 34.
One organization completed. Number of membership, 37. Name of church, New Hope.
Work in a flourishing condition.

C. H. SWANK.

MINISTERIAL REPORT OF R. H. PEEL.

Ministerial report of Rev. R. H. Peel for the year beginning September, '95, and ending September, '96:
Churches in charge, Antioch, Bethlehem, Concord, and Linville.
Number of sermons, 114.
Prayer meetings he'd, 15.
Number of conversions, 40.
Funerals, 2.
Marriages, 3.
Pastoral visits, not known.
Amount of salary, $315.21.

R. H. PEEL.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	SECRETARIES—POSTOFFICES	No. Last Session	Received Since	Died	Expelled	Withdrawn	Present M'b'rship	No. in S. School	Paid Pastor	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Other Purposes	Total Amt Paid	Value of Church Property
Antioch	R H Peel	T H Showalter, Crisman, Va	102	2				104	81	117 90	27 96	13 56	$ 18 82	$178 24	$2000
Bethlehem	R H Peel	A B Martz, Mauzy, Va	85	8	1	2	15	75		85 73	2 50	3 10	3 50	94 80	10 0
Concord	R H Peel	J C Huffman, Hupp, Va	32	1			3	30	38	31 96	1 70	1 30	1 86	36 82	500
Linville	R H Peel	C E Berry, Linville, Va	68				2	66	102	60 47	6 55	4 00	86 37	103 39	1000
Total			287	11	1	2	20	275	221	296 06	38 71	21 96	110 55	413 25	4500

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

FIFTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

—OF THE—

Ga. and Ala. Christian Conference,

HELD AT McGUIRE'S CHAPEL CHURCH, ALA.

McGUIRE'S CHAPEL CHURCH, Oct. 22, 1896.

Introductory sermon by Rev. C. M. Dollar. The organization of Conference was deferred until the afternoon. The house was called to order by Rev. H. W. Elder, president of last session. The secretary proceeded to call the roll of ministers and churches.

Ministers present: Jubilee Smith, J. L. Neese, J. D. Elder, T. H. Elder, C. M. Dollar, W. R. Knight, M. F. Lett, J. W. Elder, H. W. Elder, G. D. Hunt. Absent: M. D. Chewing, J. B. Orr, J. H. Hughes, T. J. Edmanson, C. G. Malone, W. A. Fletcher, D. G. Horn and C. W. Swan.

Licentiates present: Robt. Leslie. Absent: W. D. Davis, W. J. W. Daniel.

Churches and delegates.—Providence: E. A. Abell; Macedonia: J. W. Elder, Sr.; Bethlehem: G. F. Partridge and F. Roquemore; Beulah: E. M. Gay, G. G. Croly and E. S. Hand; Rock Springs: M. P. Smith; Christian Home: A. J. Lauderdale and M. B. Lauderdale; New Home: W. T. Collier and W. H. Collier; Corinth: J. T. Johnson; Antioch: R. M. Brown, W. H. Abbott and O. H. Corden; McGuire s Chapel: A. P. Hunt, B. R. Jones, W. J. Vickers and J. Cole; New Harmony: W. A. Factner, A. A. Brown and T. N. Browning; New Hope: G. W. Chewning, T. L. Dunn and J. T. Clack; Pleasant Grove: J. H. Wheeler, L.

Moony, I. D. Harris and G. W. Childers; Union Grove: J. B. Hodnett and D. B. Sharp; Union Chapel: J. E. B. Williams; Christiana: M. M. Ingram, G. W. Hammock and C. D. Knight; Mt. Zion: S. N. Sledge and J. D. Keable; Beulah (Girard), Liberty, Union Hill, Orr's Chapel and Forest Home—not represented.

A quorum being present, Conference proceeded to the election of the following officers: President, Rev. J. W. Elder; Vice-President, Rev. T. H. Elder; Secretary, J. T. Clack; Assistant Secretary, Rev. C. H. Dollar; Treasurer, E. A. Abell.

Bethany and Union (Ga.) Churches were received into Conference by letter, and F. M. Pitt and G. W. Johnson were enrolled as delegates.

On motion, Bro. E. L. Moffitt from the Western N. C. Conference was invited to a seat with us as fraternal messenger, who responded with encouraging remarks.

On motion, Revs. J. D. Elder and G. D. Hunt, were appointed to fill vacancies on Standing Comittees.

Church letters handed in, read and adopted.

On motion, the committee on temperance was changed to moral rnform.

On motion, the President appointed Bros. T. J. McDaniel, E. M. Gay and Z. T. Veasy, as committee on religious services. Adjourned until 9 a. m. tomorrow.

SECOND DAY, OCT. 23.

No Conference on account of rain.

THIRD DAY, OCT. 24.

Conference opened with the president in the chair, minutes read and approved.

On motion each speaker was limited to ten minutes.

Ministerial reports called for, read, and approved.

On motion, reports of the Standing Committees were taken up in order as recorded in the Annual.

Report of Executive Committee read and adopted:

Brethren: There has been but one item of business before us this year, viz.: The ordination of Bro. C. W. Swan, which was done at district Conference, the 5th Sunday in May

G. D. HUNT,
Chairman.

The following is the report on Moral Reform, read and adopted:

We your Committee on Moral Reform, beg leave to report that seeing as we do, the great need of a higher standard of morals in our churches, also in Christian societies, and families, we recommend that all our members, give this subject closer attention in the future than they have in the past. Upon it depends to a great extent, the future prosperity of the church. Good morals should be taught to our children, also good moral examples, should be shown forth in the daily ives of every Christian man.

J. W. ELDER, JR.,
E. A. ABELL,
E. M. GAY,
Committee.

A motion to appoint a man to preach the annual sermon at the next session of Conference, lost.

The following is the report of the standing of churches, read and adopted:

We your committee on standing of churches, beg to report that we find all of our churches in the central portion of the Conference in good standing. While we find some without a pastor, from some cause, we know not why.

M. F. LETT,
Chairman.

Report on standing of the ministry, read and adopted, after being amended by dropping the names of Bros. H. M. Abbercrombie and J. W. Daniel, adopted as a whole as follows:

We your committee on Standing of ministry, beg leave to report that we find all of our ministers from whom we have heard in any report, in good condition, and in the discharge of their several duties as ministers.

We recommend the following, viz.: 1. That we drop the names of H. M. Abbecrombie and J. W. Daniel from our ministerial list.

2. That those ministers who have failed to report to this body be charged with disloyalty to the Conference.

JUBILEE SMITH,
H. W. ELDER,
J. L. NEESE,
Committee.

Adjourned for preaching by H. W. Elder.

AFTENROON SESSION.

Report on Religious literature read, discussed by E. L Moffitt, J. W. Eelder, Sr., and S. N. Sledge, adopted:

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We your committee on Religious Literature, beg leave to report that we re-recommend to all our members of the Christian church, The Christian Sun and the Herald of Gospel Liberty, as our leading church papers. They should receive our support, and be carfefully read by all members of the church. And your committee further recommends the endorsement of the Southern Chris-

tian Publishing House, as projected by the General Convention at Burlington, N. C., and urge the churches to send in their assessments of ten cents a member to the next Conference.

S. N. SLEDGE,
J. L. NEUSE,
T. N. BROWNING.
Committee.

Conference decided to hold its next annual session with the church at Antioch, to convene on Thursday before the 4th Sunday in Oct. 1897.

The committee on Education submitted the following report:

In this age of rapid progress no cause is receiving greater attention and demanding greater sacrifice that the cause of Education. Ignorance will blight our fairest prospects if we do not wage a decided warfare against it. We have inviting fields all around us that need our speedy attention, but we lack for men with the necessary qualification to meet all shades of society. We have gifted, consecrated men, who are doing excellent work for Christ but; now we need advanced steps to educate our young men.

Therefore be it resolved, (1) That this Conference raise $50 the next conference year as an educational fund.

(2) That any young man applying for license from this body be sent directly to Elon College, if unable to go unaided.

(3). That we patronize Elon College and solicit patronage.

(4.) That when any young minister enters school, the various churches under the direction of their respective pastors shall organize the young people into societies to raise funds to keep said young minister from wanting a support.

H. W. ELDER,
J. D. ELDER,
C. M. DOLLAR.

The following report was submitted by the committee on Home Missions:

COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Realizing the great good that has been accomplished through our Home Mission work, we as a denomination should rally to its support. Notwithstanding the hard times, let us give as God has prospered us.

Our confidence in Bro. C. M. Dollar's faithfulness and ability as a missionary worker, leads us to recommend his retention in this field of labor, and if the amount raised is sufficient to support him, let his entire time be given to this work.

We further recommend that this conference raise $200 next year for Home Mission work.

S. N. SLEDGE.
Chairman.

To the above report was added the following: We recommend that C. M. Dollar shall receive two thirds of the Home Mission funds for one half his time, and J. W. Elder the remainder for one fourth of his time.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your committee on Foreign Missions would submit the following: The more the Christian denomination grows in intelligence, the greater the development of the missionary spirit. Missionary service will remain a solemn duty as long as there is one poor heathen left, whose eyes are sealed with the scales of superstitution.

Our church was assessed $40 for Foreign Missions, $13 has been reported.

We recommend that $50 be raised next year. Our missionaries in Japan are doing excellent work, and we are under binding obligations to see that they are supported, and to see that the work takes no backward movement.

W. R. KNIGHT,
H. W. ELDER,
M. M. INGRAM.

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

We your committee on Sunday schools submit the following: We find this important work is being sadly neglected by our people, Therefore we recommend that our ministers use their utmost endeavors to arouse the churches to greater activity along this line. While we press our ministers to give increased attention to Sunday school work, we press our lay members with equal force. We also ask the churches to use our Sunday School Literature.

W. R. KNIGHT.
Chairman.

Received from J. T. Clack, Secretary Ga. and Ala. Christian Conference.

Educational fund,	$ 1 50	
For Minutes,	15 90	
Home Missions,	134 67	
Foreign Missions,	16 27	
Total.	$168 34	
Paid out as follows:		
To E. L. Moffitt for minutes,		$15 90
To C. M Dollar, Home Mission,		89 78
To J. W. Elder, Home Mission,		44 89
Foreign Mission, paid to J. A. Mills,		16 27
Educational fund in Treasury,		1 50
Total.		$168 34

E. A. ABELL,
Treasurer.

A resolution of thanks was tendered the people of this community for the kind, hospitable manner in which we have been entertained while in their midst.

A RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

BE IT RESOLVED, That this Conference in annual session, tender its thanks to the kind people of this community for their undivided hospitality tendered us while in their midst.

H. W. ELDER.

A resolution offered by Robt. Leslie, read and with some change adopted:

RESOLVED, That Rev. J, D. Elder, with such help as he may select, be requested to compile a history in the Christian Sun, of the workings of the Ga. and Ala., Christian Conference.

ROBT. LESLIE.

On motion, the minutes to be printed in the Annual, carried.

On motion, that Rev. G. D. Hunt is to preach the introductory sermon at the session of Conference, carried.

Following are the Standing Committees:

Executive: C. M. Dollar, T. H. Elder, W. R. Knight.

Sunday Schools: G. D. Hunt, W. J. Payne, M. F. Lett:

Moral Reform: J. W. Elder,Sr., C. G. Malone, E. M. Gay.

Standing of Churches: J. L. Neese, S. N. Sledge, J. W. Elder.

Standing of Ministry: C. Stephenson, C. W. Swan, T. L. Orr.

Home Mission: H. W. Flder, G. D. Hunt, N. D. Mitchell.

Foreign Mission: W. R. Knight, C. M. Dollar, S. N. Sledge.

Education: J. D. Elder, Jubilee Smith, C. M. Dollar.

There being no further business, Conference adjourned.

J. T. CLACK, Secretary. REV. J. W. ELDER, President.

REMARKS: As I have neglected to mention those that discussed the subjects, you will find them here: S. N. Sledge, T. H. Elder, E. M. Gay, H. W. Elder, J. W. Elder, C. M. Dollar, Prof. E. L. Moffitt, M. F. Lett, Jubilee Smith, J. D. Elder, G. D. Hunt, E. A. Abell.

J. T. CLACK. Sec.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

REPORTS FOR 1896.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	No. Last Report	Received Since	No. Dismissed	No. Expelled	No. Died	Present Number	Paid Pastor	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Other Purposes	No. in S. School	Value of Church Property	Educational Fund
Antioch	T H Elder	76	9	1	4		80	25 00	12 64	2 52	24 00		600	
Corinth	T J Edmanson	41	2	4			39	12 80	5 00	1 30		26	250	
Providence Chapel	H W Elder	73	6			1	78	130 65	3 00				700	
New Harmony	J W Elder		17		2	1	96	40 00	10 90				1000	
Mt. Zion	J D Elder	51	8	7	1		66	23 75	8 00	1 00			400	
Macedonia	J L Neese	36				1	35	12 00	3 25				25	
Bethany	C M Dollar		5				13		50					
McGuire's Chapel	J W Elder	107	12	3	1	1	112	26 35	9 20	25		25	250	
Union Chapel	C D Hunt	66	1	4		1	62	75 70	10 56	2 11	90			1 50
Beulah	G D Hunt	86	7	5	1		87	70 00	14 56	2 91	9 30	60		
Rock Springs	C M Dollar	87	1	2	5	1	77	13 00	3 00				400	
New Home	J W Elder	24	10				34	20 50					125	
New Hope	J D Elder	137	41	4	2	1	171		21 90	4 38	28 80	40	800	
Bethlehem	H W Elder	24	6	2			38	35 50	1 16		9			
Christiana	H W Elder	62	14				76	50 00	6 25	1 00	300 00	40	500	
Pleasant Grove	G D Hunt	69	10	6	4		69	41 00	9 25			20	350	
Christian Home	T H Elder	25	40		1		64	10 50	4 00	80		25		
Union Grove	T H Elder	23	1	2	1	1	20	13 45	4 00	1 00	30 0		300	

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

SEVENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

—OF THE—

Eastern Virginia Christian Conference

HELD AT SUFFOLK, VA.

SUFFOLK, VA. Oct. 27, 1896.

The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference covened here today with the Christian church in its seventy-sixth annual session. The body was called to order by Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., president of last session.

Elders present: J. P. Barrett, H. H. Butler, M. W. Butler, R. H. Holland, J. T. Kitchen, W. S. Long, W. J. Laine, N. G. Newman, J. W. Rawles, W. W. Staley.

Roll of churches was called, and the following delegates responded:

Antioch:——; Barrett's:——; Berea (Norfolk): W. L. Hodges; Berea (Nansemond): Col. A. Savage; Berkley:——; Bethany: J. E. Lawrence; Bethlehem:——; Burton's Grove:——; Centerville:——; Cypress Chapel: Josiah Wilkins; Damascus:——; Eure's:——; Franklin: ——; Holland: J. W. Ballard, I. A. Luke, F. D. Carr; Holy Neck: A. T. Holland, C. W. Darden; Isle of Wight Court House:——; Ivor:——; Johnson's Grove: J. W. Johnson, E. Doyle; Liberty Spring: Joel Brinkley; Mt. Carmel; J. C. Johnson; Mt. Zion:——; New Lebanon: O. V. Cockes; Norfolk:——; Oakland:——; Providence:——;Spring Hill: B. A. Zills; Suffolk:——; Union (Surry): P. E. Slade; Union (Southamption): J. H. Gardner; Waverly: J. T. Harris, J. F. West; Windsor: F. C. Roberts.

After prayer by Rev. J. T. Kitchen, conference pro-

ceeded to the election of officers: Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., was elected President, and Rev. N. G. Newman, Assistant Secretary.

On motion, the annual address was deferred to 8 o'clock p. m.

Prof. E. L. Moffitt, editor of the Christian Sun, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member. He responded, and in his remarks stated that he was just from the annual session of the Ga. and Ala. Conference, and through their request bore fraternal greetings of that body to this Conference. The following delegates were enrolled:—Cypress Chapel: J. B. Harrell; Berea (Nansemond): W. J. Lee: Bethlehem: S. J. Holland, J. W. Faulk; Eure's: Jno. S. Felton; Damascus: J. R. Hinton, J. R. Corbett; Holy Neck: Julius T. Rawls; Antioch: J. W. Roberts; Burton's Grove: J. J. Presson; Suffolk: S. S. Hosier.

Rev. J. W. Barrett arrived and was enrolled. Church letters were called for, and on motion Rev. M. W. Butler, A. T. Holland and J. W. Johnson, were constituted a committee to tabulate same.

Ministerial reports wre received from the following:

Elders: J. P. Barrett. J. W. Barrett, W. W. Butler, R. H. Holland, W. S. Long. N. G. Newman, W. W. Staley.

Licentiates: R. D. H. Demorest, J. W. Harrell.

Reports of fraternal messengers called for and the following responded: Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., had attended the N. C. & Va. Conference. Revs. H. H. Butler and J. T. Kitchen, were unable to attend the Conference to which they were elected.

Rev. N. G. Newman was instructed to furnish, for publication, proceedings of this body to the resident correspondents of the Norfolk Virginian, Richmond Times, and Richmond Dispatch.

Fraternal messengers were elected as follows:

To the Western N. C. Conference, Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D.; to the N. C. & Va. Conference, Rev. J. T. Kitchen; to the Eastern N. C. Conference, Rev. W. W. Staley; D. D.; to the Virginia Valley Conference, Rev. J. W. Barrett; to the Ga. & Ala. Conference, Rev. M. L, Hur-

ley.

On motion, Rev. J. T. Kitchen was appointed a committee to receive applications for the place to hold the next annual session.

The following shedule was adopted: Meet at 10 a. m., adjourn at 1 p. m. Meet again at 3 p. m. and adjourn at p. m. Meet at 8 p. m. for religious services.

Rev. W. J. Laine was elected to deliver the annual address, the next session, with Rev. N. G. Newman as alternate.

On motion, the pastor and delegates of this church were constituted a committee on religious services.

On motion, Rev. W. J. Laine and W. J. Lee were elected Collectors to receive the funds sent up by the various churches. Adjourned to meet at 3 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The President called the body to order.

Dr. T. Edwin Baird, Judge J. F. West, I. A. Luke and S. S. Hosier, were appointed a committee to arrange assessments for the ensuing year.

Rev. J. T. Kitchen, J. B. Harrell and Col. A. Savage were appointed a committee on finance.

On motion, this Conference took three memberships in the Christian Missionary Association, and Revs. J. W. Harrell, M. W. Butler and J. W. Barrett, were elected delegates to that body.

The Secretary was ordered to draw an order on the Treasurer for $30.00 in favor of the Treasurer of the Missionary Association for membership fees.

The Executive Committee submitted their report, which was adopted:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your committee has not been called upon to consider any question during the past year; and congratulates the conference upon the peace and quiet of our work.

W. W. STALEY,
N. G. NEWMAN,
H. H. BUTLER.

The following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, That Rev H. H. Butler be granted leave of absence to-morrow

(Wednesday) to conduct the funeral services of Miss Dana M. Beale, who died at school at Lynchburg, Va, at Antioch Christian church, and that Brother Butler be requested to bear to the bereaved parents, Brother J. I. Beale and wife, our heartfelt sympathy in this their hour of sudden and bitter grief.

The ministerial report of Rev. H. H. Butler was handed in and read.

A. M. Eley, of Norfolk, arrived and was enrolled.

On motion, Rev. W. J. Laine, Dr. J. P. Barrett and A. M. Eley were appointed a committee to take into consideration the recommendations of the General Convention of the Christian Church, South, in regard to Christian Endeavor Societies.

The Treasurer's report was received, read, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

It was moved and carried that a special committee be appointed to take into consideration all recommendations of the General Convention of the Christian Church, South, as bearing on the Eastern Va. Conference. Drs. Barrett, Staley and Col. A. Savage were appointed the committee.

Adjourned to a assemble at 8 p. m. to hear the annual address by Rev. W. S. Long, D. D. Prayer by Rev. R. H. Holland.

SECOND DAY.

The President called the body to order.

Religious services were conducted by Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D.

The roll of ministers and delegates was called, and minutes of yesterday's session read and approved.

According to announcement the annual address was delivered last night in this church by Rev. W. S. Long, D. D. His remarks were based on 1 Tim. 4th chap. 12th verse: "Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in work, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity."

Delegates were enrolled as follows: Damascus: G. J. Costen; Mt. Carmel: Jas. M. Bowden; Norfolk: J. C. Haynes; Providence: R. A. Hyslop; Suffolk: C. A. Shoop, J. E. West; Union (Southampton): J. C. Scott; Berkley: J. A. McCloud, Jr., W. H. Butler, S. A. Eley; Isle of Wight: R. S. Spivey; Franklin: I. W. Norfleet,

A. T. Lee; Mt. Zion: R. H. Crittenden, R. A. Fields; Cypress Chapel: Elkanah Harrell.

Rev. J. W. Wellons, who bore the fraternal greetings of the N. C. &. Va. Conference to this body, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member. He feelingly responded.

The ministerial reports of Revs. J. W. Rawles, W. J. Laine, and J. T. Kitchen were received and read.

Additional church letters were received and handed to the tabulating committee. J. Thomas Rawles and J. S. Peel, delegates from Liberty Spring, were enrolled.

The following preamble and resolution, after tender and pathetic remarks by Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., Rev. J. T. Kitchen, Rev. J. W. Wellons, of N. C. & Va. Conference, Rev. M. W. Butler, J. C. Haynes and Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., was adopted unanimously by a rising vote:

WHEREAS, Since our last session, this body has been called to mourn the loss of one of its truest friends, a lady whose Christian character was well known, and whose constancy and faithfulness have long since commanded the hearty admiration of this Conference therefore be it,

RESOLVED, 1. That in the death of Mrs. Ann F. Hill, which occurred at Heattsville, Md., May 30, 1896, this body has lost one of its most devoted friends, and the church one of its truest adherents and most liberal supporters, as was long evidenced by her faithfulness and unfaltering devotion to Berkley Christian church, and her active and substantial interest in the Norfolk church, Elon College, The Christian Sun and many other leading enterprises of the church.

2. That in memory of this good woman and her work, we make this official acknowledgement of her beautiful and useful life, and of the high esteem and love in which she was held by the church, and by this Conference.

3. That we recommend her example of piety, self-sacrifice, liberality and devotion to the Lord's cause, specially to our sisters, and in a general way to all.

4. That we tender to her only living child, Mrs. Jerome Baxter, and her loved ones generally, for they were many, our sympathy in their loss with assurance of our high appreciation of her noble qualities of heart and mind, and her most useful life in the blessing of which so many of us were sharers. We praise the Lord for such a life lived in our midst.

J. PRESSLEY BARRETT.

The Committee on Religious Services announced that Dr. J. P. Barrett would preach in this church at 8 p. m. tonight.

Delegates C. E. Worthan, of Union, Surry, and D. L. Darden, of Holy Neck were enrolled.

Rev. J. W. Harrell was appointed a committee to receive subscriptions for the Annuals and report as early as possible to this body.

A letter from Rev. J. F. Burnett, Eaton, Ohio, Secre-

tary of American Christian Convention, asking a contribution from this Conference to the American Christian Convention fund, was read.

On motion, a collection was taken up which amounted to $6.64.

The Secretary was instructed to place the amount in the hands of the Treasurer, and to send an order on him for said amount to Rev. J. F. Burnett.

T. W. Gale, from Oakland was enrolled.

Rev. H. C. Moore, of the Presbyterian church of this town, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

A letter from Rev. J. W. Rawles asking dismission from this Conference was received and read.

On motion, the letter was referred to a special committee composed of Revs. J. P. Barrett, D. D., W. W. Staley, D. D., and Rev. J. T. Kitchen.

Rev. J. F. Love, of the Baptist church, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

The committee on Education submitted their report:

EDUCATIONAL REPORT.

The educational interests of the times steadily increase. As our public school system improves, endowed institutions multiply. State and church vie with each other in the education of youth. Cities and private persons swell the great stream of effort, and technical and professional schools extend opportunities in a way before unheard of. In the midst of such wide-spread learning, an educated ministry becomes a necessity, and this committee has, chiefly, to do with that subject.

LICENTIATES: J. H Jones is now in his third year at Harvard Divinity School.

R. H. D. Demorest resides at Boxelder, working as he has opportunity.

John Wesley Harrell has preached at Waverly, Centerville, Spring Hill and Burton's Grove during the past conference year, and is highly recommended by his field for ordination We have made the examination required by our Government, and recommend that he be ordained during the present session of conference. We recommend that the Presbytery be appointed and the time set apart for this solemn service.

Wm. H. Butler, a member of the Biblical Class, is in school in Berkley Military Institute.

John Thomas Steele will enter Elon College Nov. 15, 1896.

We recommend appropriations as stated below for the following members of the class now in Elon College:

L. L. Lassiter, $50; I. W. Johnson, 75; D. P. Harrell, 50; C. C. Jones, 50; D. P. Barrett, 50; Geo. J. Green, 50; Jesse M. Roberts, 50; total, $375.

The following tabulates our present financial condition:

Assets.—Notes:		
N. G. Newman,	$290	
J. W. Rawles,	250	
R. H. Peel,	99 50	
W. J. Laine,	525	
J. W. Harrell,	137 50	
		$1302 00
Open Accounts:		
L. L. Lassiter,	$350	
I. W. Johnson,	100	
		450 00
Cash: In Bank		454 09
Total Assets,		$2206 09

The following has been paid by young men who have been assisted:

Rev R. H. Peel, October 22, 1896,	$200
Rev. J. W. Rawles, October 24, 1896,	125
Rev. J. W Harrell, October 27, 1896,	37 50
	$362 50

This is included in cash in bank as reported above.

We re affirm our confidence in Elon College as an important factor in our growth and usefulness, and recommend a continuance of our donations and patronage. It is the fountain from which issue streams of intelligence that will permeate and give new life to our entire body. It is to be, in time to come, the exponent of our purposes and the inspiration of our effort. Its brief life has already set wheels within wheels in motion throughout our bounds, and kindled new fires on the altars of our sacrifices, our worship, and our work. Its only weakness has been a lack of money, and it is to be hoped that better times and larger liberality will add strength to its present equipment and service. We urge its claims upon our people as we would the claims of a promising child upon its parents.

We herewith enclose bond from Rev. J. W. Harrell for one hundred and thirty-seven dollars and fifty cents, which is balance due this conference for money loaned him while in Elon College.

W. W. STALEY,
N. G. NEWMAN,
M. W. BUTLER,
J. W. BARRETT.

Pending the discussion of the report, Conference adjourned to 3 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference convened at 3 p. m. President in the chair.

The report on Education was further discussed, and on motion adopted.

Rev. N. G. Newman, Rev. J. W. Barrett and R. A. Hyslop were on motion, appointed a committee to prepare a suitable order of business, and report to this body.

J. Z. Yates, delegate from Bethlehem was enrolled.

The committee on applications as to the place for holding the next annual session, submitted Bethlehem as the place.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Adjourned to meet tomorrow at 10 a. m. Prayer by Rev. J. F. Love, of the Baptist church.

THIRD DAY.

Conference called to order at 10 a. m. by the President. Prayer by Rev. J. W. Barrett.

Roll of ministers and delegates called, and minutes of yesterday's session read and approved.

Rev. S. B. Klapp, fraternal messenger from the N. C. & Va. Conference, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member. He responded in some appropriate remarks.

A letter from Rev. H. C. Moore, an elder of this Conference, bearing Christian greetings was read, and on motion, Dr. J. P. Barrett was requested to respond.

The following report of special committee was adopted:

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

Your committee to whom was referred the request of Rev. J. W. Rawles for letter of dismission from this body, beg leave to report:

1. That we recommend that his request be granted, and that a certificate of good moral and religious standing be given him

2. That he has paid in full his note of two hundred and fifty dollars ($250), the same being balance of money loaned him by this body on his collegiate education.

J. P. BARRETT,
W. W. STALEY,
J. T. KITCHEN.

O. M. Cockes, delegate from New Lebanon was enrolled.

The report of the Committee on Home Missions was submitted, taken up item by item, and on motion adopted as follows:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Just at this period in our history, we cannot too strongly emphasize the importance of our Home Mission work. The field for the dessemination of our principles is being enlarged and larger contribution are constantly needed. There are many agencies now at work educating and turning the public mind and religious thought of the age surely and rapidly toward our position. The great ends for which the Christian church assumed definite and organized form, while brought nearer to view, have not yet been fully realized. Our mission will be fully accomplished, only in the salvation of the world from sin and the unification of God's church. Our Home Mission cause is a very distinctive enterprise, and should stand at the head of the list. Its great aim and importance should be pressed earnestly upon our people. A future fraught with promise rises before us. Rich gifts for the Master's service have been laid at our feet, and grave responsibilities placed upon us. During the past year we have not had any special mission

point to care for. There seems to be an opening for the Christian church at Portsmouth and Newport News, Va., but no deffnite step has been taken toward the establishment of our cause at either of these important points.

The order of Conference, made at our last session to secure a title to the property of the Norfolk Memorial Christian Temple has been executed. A proper deed and bonds have been drawn and executed, and the title made secure to us,

The Ma n St Christian church at Berkley, Va, finds that some of her largest pledges, taken at the dedication, are worthless, and as they have a bond now past due, and being pressed, have petitioned us for assistance to the amount of $350.00. We owe interest on $3,531.79 and a balance of $531.79 on one note of $1000.00 which makes an amount now due and asked for, of $743.-69. We recommend,

1st. That we endorse the execution of the deed and bonds as arranged in securing a title to the Norfolk property,

That we extend to the Missionary Association our encouragement and support.

3rd. That we pay interest now due, and balance of $531.79 due on note of $1000.00

4th. That we raise for this fund next year, $1,300,00.

5th. That we do what we can to grant the petition from Berkley, provided the Treasury will justify it after above appropriations are made.

M. W. BUTLER,
R. H. HYSLOP,
J. T. HARRIS.

The Committee on Religious Services announced that Rev. M. W. Butler would preach this evening at 8 o'clock, and that immediately after the sermon, Rev. J. W. Harrell would be ordained by the ordaining Presbytery.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

The more we read and the more we think in the right way, the better qualified we are to do the work of life. If we desire to accept Christianity and to become strong in its teachings we must not only study the Bible, but other religious literature in connection with it—which will help us to grow in grace and in the knowledge of God. We are learners in the school of Christian experience, and everything we can read which develops the mind and builds us up spiritally ought to be eagerly sought for. There is much unsatisfactory religious literature to day, and it is sometimes misleading in its character and injurious in its effects, so we ought to be very careful how we read and what we read. To know how to reject the bad and to accept the good is a matter worthy of our very best attention; Therefore,

1. We urge upon our ministers the importance of keeping our literature before the people by public and private efforts.

2. We recommend that each pastor preach one sermon during the year on the Principles of the Christian church.

3. We regret the failure of our ministers to comply with the requirement of last conference in not embodying in their ministerial reports the number of subscribers sent in to the Christian Sun during the year—thus adding one more to the number of worthless resolutions that are already too numerous on our church records

4. The Christian Sun, our church organ, is giving universal satisfaction under its present editorial management; therefore we heartily endorse it, and urge its better support and wider circulation.

5. We also recommend the Herald of Gospel Liberty and the Christian Missionary.

JNO. S. FELTON,
J. T. KITCHEN,
ALEX. SAVAGE,
JOHN Z. YATES.

Discussed by Revs. J. T. Kitchen, H. H. Butler and W. W. Staley, D. D. Pending discussion Conference adjourned to 3 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order at the appointed time by the President.

Discussion on report on Religious Literature was resumed by Rev. W. J. Laine, Rev. R. H. Holland, Rev. J. W. Barrett, R. A. Hyslop, J. T. Harris, Josiah Wilkins, and on motion adopted.

The report of Committee on Sunday Schools was submitted. After discussion by Revs. W. J. Laine, W. W. Staley, D. D., and N. G. Newman, the report was adoptd:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Among the many auxilaries to the church, we regard the Sunday school as the greatest in teaching gospel truth. We now have schools in all the churches in this Confereuce, and most of them are run through the year, in many places our schools have labored under disadvantages in prosecuting their high and glorious mission, but their record has been gratifying and worthy of praise. Its work speaks for itself. It has in many instances been efficient in doing needed pioneer work where our principles were not known. Many of our most prosperous churches have grown out of the Sunday school. The work is full of hope, and we believe needs more of our attention and support. We regard the Sunday school as the place for the religious training of al . Its social, moral and spiritual influences are unmeasured. It furnishes just the food necessary for the young when their inquisitive and intellectual faculties are at the highest pitch, and offers a beautiful field of usefulness to the adult, and keeps them in touch with expanding life. It not only helps to fashion, strengthen, and sustain character, but it is often the medium through which many are led to a regenerated life.

We believe that the success of our schools has been retarded in many places for the lack of more attention. The reports to our Sunday School Convention show with other things, the need of more thorough organization in many places.

Therefore we recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

I. That the ministers and delegates of this Conference be instructed to see that the schools in their respective churches be thoroughly organized, so that they may be able to make a correct and exact report to the Sunday school Convention.

II. That we continue the use of our literature published at Dayton, Ohio, and that teachers and advanced pupils use as far as they may be able, Peloubets select Notes on the International Lessons, as a more comprehensive and complete work.

III. That the spirit of song be encouraged, and that special interest be taken in getting the children to engage in this part of the worship,

We further recommend as being useful and helpful, the use of the Lesson Pictures, Published by Harris, Jones & Co., Providence, R. I., which may be obtained through our Publishing House. Respectfully submitted,

W. J. LAINE,

J. W. FOLK,

A. M. ELEY,

R. H. HOLLAND.

The special committee on Annuals reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ANNUALS.

Your committee to whom the collection of the money for Annuals was referred, beg leave to report that there is so much misunderstanding as to the method of raising this fund that we are unable to proceed, and therefore recommend:

1. That the Annuals be purchased out of the Conference and Publication Fund.

2. That all funds received should be turned over to the Conference and Publication Fund.

J. W. HARRELL,

On motion, the report was adopted.

The special Committee on various recommendations of the General Convention submitted the following, which was adopted:

The committee to consider the recommendations of the Convention as to assessing the churches of this body with a sum which shall be equivalent to 10 cents per member for the purpose of establishment of a Publishing House, submit the following:

The Board of Directors to whom the Convention committed the management of the Publishing House have not yet asked for any assessment, and therefore your committee do not feel called upon to ask for an assessment in advance of the action of the Board of Directors of the Publishing House.

J. P. BARRETT,
W. W. STALEY,
A. SAVAGE.

The Committee on Foreign Missions was, on motion, requested to bring in a report tomorrow.

The report of Committee on Assessments was submitted, and after a few changes, was on motion adopted:

ASSESSMENTS 1897

CHURCHES	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Educational Fund	Superannuated	Conference and Publication	Convention	Total Amount
Antioch	$ 76	16	8	5	5	5	115
Barrett's	8	7	5	1	2	2	25
Berea (Norfolk)	46	19	11	3	3	3	85
Berea (Nan'm'd)	9	24	20	5	5	5	150
Berkley	2	14	5	3	3	3	49
Bethany	26	9	3	2	4	3	47
Bethlehem	81	24	10	2	3	5	125
Burton's Grove	22	12	3	2	4	2	45
Centerville	4	6	2	1	1	1	15
Cypress Chapel	96	24	15	2	3	5	145
Damascus	56	16	17	2	5	4	100
Eure's	18	10	6	2	3	3	42
Franklin	13	10	5	3	5	4	40
Holland	16	6	5	1	1	1	30
Holy Neck	95	30	20	5	10	5	165
Isle of Wight	13	9	3	2	4	3	34
Ivor	12	9	5	1	4	2	33
Johnson's Grove	14	9	5	1	4	2	35
Liberty Spring	46	12	12	3	4	3	80
Mount Carmel	41	6	5	1	5	2	60
Mount Zion	31	9	10	3	5	4	62
New Lebanon	6	8	4	2	2	2	24
Norfolk	16	14	11	2	5	2	50
Oakland	41	10	12	3	6	3	75
Providence	51	19	15	3	8	4	100
Spring Hill	18	9	10	1	4	3	45
Suffolk	120	35	20	5	5	5	200
Union (Surry)	12	12	5	2	2	2	35
Union (South.)	6	9	5	2	2	2	26
Waverly	31	8	6	2	2	3	52
Windsor	17	6	4	1	1	1	30
	1154	411	267	73	120	94	2119

T. EDWIN BAIRD,
J. F. WEST,
I. A. LUKE,
S. S. HOSIER.

The time having arrived for adjournment, Conference adjourned to meet tomorrow at 10 a. m. Prayer by Rev. W. J. Laine.

FOURTH DAY.

The president called Conference to order promptly at

10 a. m. Religious services by Rev. N. G. Newman.

Roll of ministers and delegates called. Minutes of yesterday's session read and approved.

The President announced the Standing Committees as follows:

Education: W. W. Staley, J. P. Barrett, N. G. Newman, M. W. Butler.

Home Missions: M. W. Butler, R. A. Hyslop, E. E. Holland, J. T. Harris, A. Savage.

Foreign Missions: W. J. Laine, H. H. Butler, T. E. Baird, J. E. West.

Moral Reform: J. T. Kitchen, J. W. Harrell, I. W. Norfleet, A. T. Lee, L. H. Whitley.

Sabbath Schools: J. W. Barrett, R. H. Holland, A. M. Eley, W. J. Lee.

Religious Literature: J. P. Barrett, W. J. Laine, J. F. West, A. T. Holland.

Executive Committee: W. W. Staley, N. G. Newman, H. H. Butler, J. P. Barrett.

The report of Committee on Moral Reform was submitted, discussed, and on motion referred back to the committee to make it more comprehensive. Per request Revs. J. P. Barrett, D. D., and W. W. Staley, D. D., were added to the committee.

The following report on Order of Business was received, read, and on motion adopted:

REPORT ON ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Your committee appointed to prepare an order of business submit the following:

FIRST DAY.

1. Regular organization according to form of government.
2. Annual address.
3. Reception of fraternal messengers, and invitation to visiting brethren.
4. Reception and consideration of petitions.
5. Reports of churches.
6. Ministerial reports.
7. Reports of fraternal messengers.
8. Appointment of fraternal messengers.

9. Report of Executive Committee.
10. Selection of place for holding next session.
11. Election of some one to deliver the annual address.
12. Appointment of special committees.
13. Miscellaneous business.
14. Adjournment.

SECOND DAY.

1. Opening according to form of government.
2. Reception and consideration of petitions.
3. Reception of fraternal messengers and other brethren.
4. Unfinished business.
5. Report on Moral Reform.
6. Report on Education.
7. Report of special committees.
8. Miscellaneous business.
9. Adjournment.

THIRD DAY.

1. Opening according to form of government.
2. Reception and consideration of petitions.
3. Reception of fraternal messengers and other brethren.
4. Unfinished business.
5. Report on Religious Literature.
6. Report on Home Missions.
7. Report on Foreign Missions.
8. Report of special committees.
9. Miscellaneous business.
10. Adjournment.

FOURTH DAY.

1. Opening according to form of government.
2. Reception and consideration of petitions.
3. Reception of fraternal messengers and other brethren.
4. Unfinished business.
5. Report on Sunday Schools.
6. Miscellaneous business.
7. Adjournment.

N. G. NEWMAN,
R. A. HYSLOP,
J. W. BARRETT.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We your committee on Foreign Missions are glad to report work (so far as we know) in a good condition. Only a few years ago, this work was commenced in Japan, and our Heavenly Father has richly blessed our efforts to the salvation of many souls, and to the establishing of several Christian churches. We have now a membership of about 300 or more, and also a number of flourishing Sunday schools. This, brethren, should encourage us to do more this coming year for our Foreign work than we have done in the past year, believing that God in his goodness will continue to bless our efforts in carrying the light of the gospel of the Son of Righteousness to those who are in darkness. This is our work as the children of God, as servants of our Lord Jesus Christ, and it must be sustained by our earnest prayers and liberal contributions.

THEREFORE RESOLVED, 1. That we make this work a subjeet of earnest prayer.

2. That we will, by the help of God, raise the amounts assessed us by this Conference.

3. We most heartily recommend the Christian Missionary, published by Rev. J. G. Bishop, of Dayton, Ohio, to our people, that they may become better acquainted with the needs of the Foreign work.

4. We recommend that the Secretary of this Conference be instructed to draw an order on the Treasurer in favor of J. A. Mills, Treasurer of the General Convention of the Christian church, South, for $400 (four hundred dollars) the amount asked for by the Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

H. H. BUTLER,

J. W. BARRETT.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Amounts collected during the present session of conference:

Home Missions, $759.29; Foreign Missions, $218.25; Educational Fund, $369.30; Superannuated Fund, $53.75; Conference and Publication Fund, $83.07; Convention Fund, $55.74; Total, $1539.40.

W. J. LAINE,

W. J. LEE,

Collectors.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We have examined the Treasurer's report, and find proper vouchers of all disbursements and correct balances brought down

J. T. KITCHEN,

A. SAVAGE.

On motion, the report was adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Wm. H. Jones, Jr., Treasurer,
in account with
The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

1895	HOME MISSION FUND	Dr	Cr
Nov 1	To Balance,	22 83	
Nov 1	To Collections at Conference,	649 14	
	To Amt. reimbursed by Secretary on F. M. Fund,	106 24	
Nov 4	By Voucher No. 81,		180 00
Nov 4	By Voucher No. 82,		468 21
Nov 8	By Voucher No. 80,		100 00
Nov 8	By Voucher No. 85,		30 00
		$778 21	$778 21
1895	CONVENTION FUND.		
Nov 1	To Balance,	90 99	
Nov 2	To Collections at Conference,	51 34	
1896			
Oct 31	Balance on hand,		142 33
		$142 33	$142 33
1995	FOREIGN MISSION FUND.		
Nov 1	To Balance,	480 90	
Nov 2	To Collections at Conference,	181 42	
1896			
Jan 21	By Voucher No. 89,		106 24
Oct 31	Balance on hand,		556 08
		$662 32	$662 32
1895	SUPERANNUATED FUND.		
Nov 1	To Balance,	104 85	
Nov 2	To Collections at Conference	47 91	
1896			
Oct 31	Balance on hand,		152 76
		$152 76	$152 76
1895	CONFERENCE AND PUBLICATION FUND.		
Nov 1	To Balance,	19 17	
	To Collections at Conference,	75 41	
Nov 4	By Voucher No. 83,		4 28
Nov 4	By Voucher No. 84,		20 00
Dec 13	By Voucher No. 88,		70 30
		$94 58	$94 58
1895	EDUCATIONAL FUND.		
Nov 1	To Balance,	108 63	
Nov 2	To Collections at Conference,	132 95	
1896			
Oct 22	To Amt. paid by Rev. R. H. Peel on note,	200 00	
Oct 23	To Amt. paid by Rev. J. W. Rawles on note,	125 00	
Nov 19	By Voucher No. 87,		25 00
Nov 20	By Voucher No. 86,		50 00
1896			
Feb 18	By Voucher No. 91,		50 00
Feb 18	By Voucher No. 90,		25 00
	Balance on hand,		416 59
		$566 59	$566 59

SUMMARY:

Home Missions,	———
Convention Fund,	142 33
Foreign Missions,	556 08
Superannuated Fund,	152 76
Conference and Publication Fund,	———
Education,	416 59
	$1267 76

The special Committee on Christian Endeavor Societies submitted their report, which was adopted. The report is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON C. E. SOCIETIES.

Your committee to whom was given the question of the Y. P. S. C. E. beg leave to say:

1. Theoretically the Society of Christian Endeavor is an extensive and systematic plan for Christian effort, but practieally its largest sphere is found in the weekly prayer-meeting for the young people. There they are encouraged to become active witnesses for Christ and the church, and to exercise their gifts in public prayer. It fosters enthusiasm and seeks to raise the spiritual standard of its members.

2. The pledge is also a helpful feature in the Society. Some object to it, declaring that it is too strong, but he whose life falls below what it requires is in need of special help to stir up his gifts and bring his daily living into a closer fellowship with Jesus and the Holy Spirit.

3. All information may be had as to the definite plans and work of the society, by addressing J. Willis Baer, Boston, Mass.

4. We urge Every Society to represent itself in the State Convention.

J. P. BARRETT,
W. J. LAINE.

REPORT OF MORAL REFORM.

This subject is so vast in scope that only a few topics can be treated, and that briefly, in a conference report. The increase of gospel light discloses the need more and more for moral reformation, so that what seems to be an upheaval of evil may be the brightening and heightening of the gospel day. We name below some lines that suggest to the church high obligation and the expression of her purpose to counteract wrong, and ask the appropriation of this body to them as the announcement of our attitude toward the evils so prevalent in our country.

a. That we urge our members to abstain from the use, as a beverage, of all intoxicating drinks. That none buy or sell, manufacture, or rent property for the business in any way.

b. That we deplore the increasing desecration of the Sabbath in the Industrial world, the world of amusements, and the world of letters. The working of multitudes of men, excursions on trains, steamboats and wheels, opening of mails and reading of secular papers, and whatever leads our people away from the house of God.

c. We express our disapprobation of gambling, including games of chance with cards wheels of fortune, racing, and futures in the great exchanges.

d. We disapprove of the great social evils growing out of dancing, divorce, wine and card parties, and whatever corrupts individual character, and taints the home as being unchristian in practice and results.

e. We enter our protest against commercial dishonesty expressed in overbuying, underpaying, loose credit, avoiding debt by legal quibbling, and all forms of business that do not contain the elements of honesty.

J. W. HARRELL,
J. P. BARRETT,
W. W. STALEY.

The report elicited the hearty approval of the body. After being discussed by Dr. Barrett and Rev. J. W. Wellons, of the N. C. & Va. Conference, it was unanimously adopted.

Rev. Mr. Chinn, of the Presbyterian church, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

The following motion was carried: Moved, that Conference order the payment in the usual way of the Secretary's annual allowance of $20.00 from the Conference and Publication Fund.

The Secretary was instructed to draw on the Treasurer for $4.19, amount of bill rendered.

One o'clock having arrived—the time for adjournment—on motion the session was extended one hour.

The question of Annuals was taken up. It was announced that there would be only about $49.00 to the credit of Conference and Publication Fund, after the orders of Conference were paid. In view of this information, the following resolution was offered and adopted:

RESOLVED, That $31 be borrowed from the Foreign M. Fund and be placed to the credit of the Conference and Publication Fund, and that $80 be appropriated from the Conference and Publication Fund to pay for 1000 copies of the Annual; and that the chair appoint a committee of one to furnish a list of names, postoffices, and number of copies to be sent—the distribution to be made according to membership, provided that no church receive any Annuals that did not contribute to the Conference and Publication Fund.

As ordered in the forgoing resolution, the Chair appointed Rev. N. G. Newman as the committee.

RESOLVED, That we record by a rising vote our high appreciation of the very hospitable manner in which we have been entertained by the pastor and members of this church during this session, and that we cherish and carry with us to our homes fond recollections of our pleasant stay and association with them, and furthermore our thanks are also tendered to the railroads for special rates.—M. W. BUTLER.

The committee to tabulate church letters handed in their report. On motion, the report was adopted. (For report see statistical table—SEC.)

The minutes of today's session were read and approved.

Feeling remarks were made by several of the ministers and delegates as to the pleasant and harmonious session. "God be with you" was sung. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. P. Barrett D. D. The President then declared Conference adjourned to meet with the church at Bethlehem, Nansemond Co., Va., on Tuesday before the first Sunday in November, 1897.

T. J. LAWRENCE, Sec. W. S. LONG, Pres.,
South Quay, Va. Norfolk, Va.

SRATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches	Pastors	Secretaries and Postoffices	Present Number	No. Last Report	Received Since	Dismissed	Withdrawn	Died	Suspended or Expelled	Paid Pastor	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Education	Superannuated	Conference and Publication	Convention	Other Purposes	Total
Antioch	H H Butler	T J Clements, Windsor	229	347	37				151	$200 00	5 00	10 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00		220 00
Barretts	J W Barrett	W F Rich'dson. Enterprise	147	150	6	1	1	2	5	100 00	3 50	4 00	1 05	82	64			110 01
Berea (Norfolk)	W S Long	M W Hollowell, Gt Bridge	144	147	1			4		350 00	18 00	5 0	4 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	20 00	400 00
Berea (Nansm'd)	N G Newman	T M Arthur, Deans	99	155	2			5	53	350 00	90 00	15 00	15 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	226 00	711 00
Berkley	M W Butler	D J Bowden, Berkley	162	148	17	3		1		550 00	10 00	6 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	350 00	921 00
Bethany	J W Rawles	T J Lawrence, South Quay	70	66	10		1	1	4	125 00	30 00	5 00	3 00	2 00	2 00	3 00	25 00	195 00
Bethlehem	H H Butler	J W Faulk, Suffolk	324	303	43			2	20	200 00	77 00	20 00	8 00	1 00	2 00	4 00	55 00	367 00
Burtons Grove	J W Harrell	E S Barrett, Wakefield	117	107	22	1	3		2	100 00	25 00	5 00	2 00	1 00	1 50	1 00		135 50
Centerville	J W Harrell	P M Ferguson, Disputanta	32	26	8	1	1			43 50	4 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 50			54 00
Cypress Chapel	H H Butler	W Brinkley, Cypr'ss Chapel	304	306	20	4		6	20	225 00	25 46	1 60	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	256 46
Damascus	H H Butler	J R Corbett, Sunsbury, N C	245	222	27	2		2		200 00	20 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00		225 00
Eure's	J T Kitchen	W M Sparkman, Eure, N C	167	133	34					135 00	3 16							138 16
Franklin	J W Rawles	L R Jones, Franklin	48	44	7	1				150 00	17 00	6 00	5 00	3 00	5 00	4 00	40 00	230 00
Holland	J W Rawles	R H Holland, Holland	236	203	39	4		2		125 00	30 00	6 00	5 00	2 00	4 00	3 00		175 00
Holy Neck	N G Newman	J T Rawles, Bexelder	479	488	1	2		7	1	309 88	100 00	20 00	10 00	5 00	10 00	5 00	100 00	559 88
Isle of Wight	W J Laine	R L Spivey, Isle of Wight	82	77	8	1			2	80 60	14 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	2 00	2 00		103 60
Ivor	W S Long	B H Laine, Ivor	62	64				2		2 45	1 00							3 45
Johnson's Grove	J W Barrett	J W Johnson, Aidyle	102	82	31			1	10	50 00	8 00	5 00			1 00	1 00	15 00	80 00
Liberty Spring	S B Klapp	F E Parker, Savages	207	201	9	2		1		150 00	18 00	3 95	4 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	19 50	199 45
Mt Carmel	J T Kitchen	R E Turner, Windsor	190	251	16	1	1	3	11	150 00	15 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	4 00	2 00	9 57	191 57
Mt Zion	W J Laine	G W Haughwout, Crit'nden	59	72	5		4	2	2	150 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	2 47	194 87	379 34
New Lebanon	J W Barrett	O V Cockes, Sexton	79	81	2		6		6	100 00	10 00	4 0	4 00	2 00	2 00	2 00		124 00
Norfolk	J P Barrett	O Brownell, Norfolk	201	337	25	4		2	155	100 00	18 50	18 50	4 00	2 00	5 00	2 00	1301 10	2351 10
Oakland	W J Laine	A L Saunders, Windsor	158	158	7		3	5		148 50	10 00	2 00	5 00		2 50	1 82	232 00	401 82
Providence	W S Long	F L Portlock, Norfolk	78	79	1			2		400 00	12 50	6 00	5 00	2 00	3 00		225 00	653 50
Spring Hill	J W Harrell	C W Richardson, Waverly	114	119	12	6	9	1	1	150 00	20 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	3 00	2 00		186 00
Suffolk	W W Staley	B F Gutchin, Suffolk	363	370	1	2	5	1	1	1200 00	130 00	25 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	1498 29	2878 29
Union (Surry)	J W Barrett	C W Whitmore, Dendron	83	88	10		2		13	100 00	5 00	16 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	2 00		132 00
Union (South)	J W Rawles	J I Joyner, Isaacs	131	118	15			1	1	58 35	3 75	1 25	1 25	72	50	73	8 28	74 83
Waverly	J W Harrell	T W Johnson, Waverly	123	104	20		1			225 00	30 00	8 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	50 00	319 00
Windsor	W J Laine	F C Roberts, Windsor	54	46	11	2		1		100 00		4 50					150 00	254 50
Total			4889	5092	447	37	37	45	458	7228 28	763 87	222 20	118 30	49 54	71 64	56 02	4520 61	13030 46

DIRECTORY AND STATISTICAL TABLE

OF THE

NORTH CAROLINA AND VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE

CHURCHES. — SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Churches	Pastors	Secretaries and their Postoffices	Reported Last Session	Received Since	[illegible]	[illegible]	Withdrawn	Died	Expelled	Present Membership	Superintendent	Secretary and Postoffice	No. of Sunday Schools	No. of Classes	No. Officers and Teachers	No. of Pupils	Total connected with S. S.	No. of Vol. in Library	Do you use our own literature	Total Amt. raised by S. S.
Antioch (C)	G R Underwood	Edd Oldham, Pedlow Hill, *							1	77	O M Dorsett	J J Pormer, Pedlow, ‡	1	5	8	60	68		no	2 50
Apple's Chapel	A F Iseley	Z Crsman, Liberty Store, *	21	7	1				1	213	Joseph Brown		1	3	5	34	39			
Auburn	W H Roach	Wm Watts, Auburn, *	3	11	1					43	N A Branch	C L Landers, Auburn, ‡	1	3	5	40	45		yes	
Amelia																				
Big Falls																				
Bethlehem	W T Herndon	L D Rippy, Altamahaw, *	28	61	2		1			326	W L Sutton	J D Bosman, Altamahaw, ‡	1	9	14	108	121		yes	43 95
Beulah	S B Klapp	J T Lockwood, Robesville, *		44			2			77	J B Edwards	mrs Onna Perry, Hartsville, ‡	1							
Burlington	C C Peel	W F Holt, Burlington, *	61		12	2		1		67										
Bethany	C A Boone	E A Johnson, University Station, *	20	1						21										
Bethel	T W Strowd	I H Walker, Anderson, *	8	17						35	J M Fitch	I A Walker, Anderson, ‡	2	8	10	104	124		yes	
Catawba Springs	W H Roach	[illegible], Raleigh, *								94	[illegible]	[illegible]								
Christian Chapel	J A [illegible]	[illegible], Corinth, *				1				211	J S Mann	J F W Mann, Merry Oaks, ‡	1	4	9	57	66	20	yes	1 78
Concord	H L Hines	[illegible], Milesville, *	1	4						49	Wm. Massey	Q Anderson, Miles Store, ‡	1	4	6	21	27		yes	
Center Grove	J W Holt	I J [illegible], Lysers Mills, *	7	3						40	T J Bland	T E White, Lysers Mills, ‡	1	3	6	44	50		yes	1 60
Christian Light	G R Underwood	J R Brown, May, *	6	2						48	F A Thomas	H L Prince, May, ‡	1	1	6	25	31		yes	
Clover Orchard	A F Iseley	Jno C Griffis, Holman's Mills, *	104	7		2	1			108	J C Griffis	Mary F Pickard, Holman's Mills, ‡	1	1	6	75	81		no	10 00
Damascus	W G Clements	M McCauley, Chapel Hill, *	108	1				1		107	I W Pritchard	A L Ivy, Lindsay, ‡	1	6	11	59	70		yes	15 00
Durham	W G Clements	J M Lennen, Durham, *	65	2	5		1	2	1	56	J McLennen	A M Culberson, Durham, ‡	1	3	6	40	46		yes	
Ebenezer	J A Jones	J A Carpenter, Raleigh, *	82	18			2			98										
Egypt	G R Underwood	W A Counter, Egypt Depot, *	35	4			1	1		57	Brooks Peal	J W Mills, Egypt Depot, ‡	1	6	8	55	63			
Elon Church	W S Long	Bera F Moring, Elon College, *	19	18	1					36	W P Lawrence	S M Smith, Elon College, ‡	1	11	13	112	125		yes	41 44
Grace's Chapel	P T Way	J N Johnson, Sanford, *	91	9	6		1	2	5	86	J H Phillips	Bruce Coggins, Jonesboro, ‡	1	6	8	50	58		no	10 00
Good Hope	J W Wellons	Carrie Linan,	72	6			1	1	1	75	J M Berry	Lula Jackson,	1	1	6	25	31		yes	
Hank's Chapel	J D Wicker	W I Hatch, Pittsboro, *	128	1	7		4	2		116	Wm S Petty	Artemus Hatch, Pittsboro, ‡	1	3	7	50	57		yes	8 00
Happy Home	J W Holt	J W Foster, Oregon, *	45	7						52	J W Foster	P P Foster, Nance, ‡	1	4	5	50	35	25	no	2 00
Hayes' Chapel	J L Foster	L A Barbee, Garner, *	125	15	6			1		130	W J Massey	L M Barbee, Garner, ‡	1	5	9	70	79		yes	12 00
Hebron	P T Way	L H Yancey, Averetts, +	78	21					1	98	A C Yancey	A C Yancey, Averetts, +	1	1	7	35	42	40	yes	4 10
Hines' Chapel	A F Iseley	W A Heath, Greensboro, *	191	12	2	1		2		198	J C Mallory	I F Foushee, Greensboro, ‡	1	5	8	70	78		yes	5 78
Howard's Chapel	T B Dawson	W Gunn, Wentworth, *		21	4			2		79	W B Madison	Mary M Baker, Wentworth, ‡	1	3	6	50	56		yes	7 00
High Point	J W Parker	J W Austead, High Point, *	55	8				3		50	J W Parker	G R Henderson, High Point, ‡	1	5	8	32	40		yes	7 61
Ingram	P T Klapp	[illegible], Ingram, +	27	8						36	Prof. S I Davis	J C Pierce, Ingram, +	1	1	7	36	43		yes	6 68
Keyser			24																	
Kallum Grove	T B Dawson	D J Wilson, Bason, *		6	10					52										
Lebanon	C C Peel	Don Covington, Semora, *	125	11		3				130	J M Smith	J A Wells, Semora, ‡	1	8	12	82	94		no	10 00
Liberty (V.)	J W Wellons	Wo Cunningham, Letha, *	158	22	1			5	1	153	H B Hayle	S M Lassiter, Epsom, ‡	1	5	8	60	68		no	10 00
Liberty (R.)	W J Laine	T A Moffitt, Liberty, *	52							52	Dr. J R Reitzel	Tommie Trogdon, Liberty, ‡	1	3	6	50	56		yes	15 00
Long's Chapel	P H Fleming	W J Finch, McCray, *	103	6	2			1	2	104	G T [illegible]	J A Garrison, McCray, ‡	1		7				no	6 50
Mt. Auburn	P T Klapp	S P Read, Palmers Spring, +	161	10		1	1	1		169	S P Read	J D Moss, Newman, ‡	1	7	11	65	76	50	no	36 02
Mt. Bethel	T P Dawson	J W Sharp, Bason, *	50	5						55	willie Knight	L D McCollum, Simpson store, ‡	1	4	6	50	56	2	no	2 00
Mt. Carmel	J W Wellons	W Wilson, Wilton, *	34	3			1	1		35	J W Mitchel	miss C E May, Franklinton, ‡	1	4	6	40	46	60	yes	2 00
Mt. Hermon	C H Rowlane	J I Banks, Penny,	52							52	D I Beasly	L Sanderford, Auburn, ‡	1	4	7	24	31		yes	
Mt. Zion	W J Laine	mrs W A Bradley, Pleasant Grove, *	66	2	1		1		1	65	A I McAdams	W H Richmond, Pleasant Grove, ‡	1	3	6	50	56	87	yes	6 00
Mt. Pleasant	G R Underwood	J A Wright, Inverness, *	30	7						37	J W Autry	J A Wright, Inverness, ‡	1	3	4	25	29		no	2 40
Martha's Chapel	J D Wicker	W A Elington, Elm Grove, *	63				1			62	B Mulholland	J B Stone, Radio, ‡	1	5	7	29	36	50	yes	11 00
Moore Union	S. B Klapp	N A Mathews, Broadway, *	64	9	1			3	1	68	S C McCauley	T B Maddox, Lenox, ‡	1	2	5	40	45		no	3 75
Morrisville	J O Atkinson	J B Moring, Morrisville, *	45	2		18				29	J K Ginson	Jno Pugh, Morrisville, ‡	1	2	3	18	21	50	yes	15 00
New Elam	P T Klapp	W G Lassater, Merry Oaks, *	114	13	2			6	2	117	W G Lassiter	J L Womble, Merry Oaks, ‡	1	4	11	70	81		yes	10 00
New Hope	J D Wicker	W R Rogers, Rileys X Roads, *	46	7						52	J B King	Kate Mann, Rileys X Roads, ‡	1	4	8	40	48		yes	3 60
New Hill	J W Fuquay	C B Mann, New Hill, *	21	8	1					28										
New Providence	P H Fleming	J S Long, Jr, Graham, *	223	25	12		1	4	1	230	wm Andrews		1	13	17	119	136	150	yes	54 50
O'Kelly's Chapel	J D Wicker	C S Holleman, Williams Mills, *	100	10	1			1		108	C S Colleman	T A Parish, Durham, ‡	1	5		75	83	75	yes	10 00
Oak Level	J D Wicker	T L Williams, Youngsville, *	122	15				5	1	131	J C williams	T L williams, Youngsville, ‡	1	1	9	69	78	106	no	12 09
Pleasant Grove (Va)	P. T Klapp	D S Farmer, News Ferry, +	206	36			24	4		214	J J Russell	P A Farmer, News, Ferry, +	1	7	11	45	86	70	no	25 00
Pleasant Hill (C)	A F Iseley	J W McPherson, Liberty, *	123	1		1	1	2	4	116	J W McPherson	D H Albright, Sandy Grove, ‡	1	7	9	70	79	117	no	12 00
Pleasant Union	J B Fuquay	W J Long, Bowies Creek, *	56	7				2		61	W A Green	miss Florence Johnson, Bowies Creek, ‡	1	3	5	45			yes	
Pleasant Hill (J)	L W Mangam	Richard Benson, Benson, *	86	16	1	4				97	P M Barber	Jno Creech, Benson, ‡	1	5	6	40	46		no	5 00
Pleasant Ridge		J. H. Barker, Summerfield, *	75	3	1					77	T L Highfill	Mollie Nelson, Holt, ‡	1	3	5	30	35	50	no	
Popes Chapel	J W Wellons	A L Allen, Youngsville, *	162	3	1	14	1	2		117	J W House	miss Annie Jones, Franklinton, ‡	1	4	7	25	32	12	yes	3 06
			32																	
Poplar Branch	J A Whiteman	Jordan Parish, Jonesboro, *	78	4	1		1		4	76	J M Banks	J W Rhodes, Banks, ‡	1	3	6	80	86		yes	10 00
Plymouth	C H Rowland	J W Rhodes, Banks, *	17					1		16										
Pleasant Grove (J)	J A Jones	E S Coats, Pratt, *						2												
Palmyra		James E Nance, Riedsville, *																		
Raleigh	J L Foster	D J Mood, Raleigh, *	35	10	1					43	D J Mood	E H Alderson, Raleigh, ‡	1	5	8	70	78		yes	34 06
Spilona	J A Jones	R I Lassiter	51	7		1				57	W L Banks	willie Lassiter	1	4	6	52	58		yes	
Shallow Ford	C A Boone	W D Walker, Burlington, *	136	5	5			6		130	C C williams	G D Cobb, Elon College, ‡								
Shallow Well	G R Underwood	C il Harley, Burlow, *	102	8	1		1				J A Conner		1	5	7	48	55		yes	4 85
Salem Chapel	Holt	J D Dalton, Salem Chapel, *	106	7	3		1	5	4	100	H F Samuel	J D Dalton, Salem Chapel, ‡	1	3	6	68	72		yes	12 20
Sage Garden	J W Parker	Jno A Holder, Kernesville, *	18			1				17	Jno. A Holder	Jno A Holder, Kernersville, ‡	1	4	5	10	45		yes	
Turner's Chapel	J W Hatch	A W Wicker, Colon, *	39	6			1	1		43	B F Kelley	E H Johnson, Colon, ‡	1	3	6	76	82	10	yes	8 00
Union (Va)	S B Klapp	I S Bray, Hyco, +	164	24	1		2	6	2	177			1	5	8	45	53		yes	
Union (N C)	P H Fleming	J D Wilkins, Union Ridge, *	300	18	3	2		4		300	R W Fitch	L H Aldridge, Union Ridge, ‡	1	4	6	34	40		yes	5 00
Wake Chapel	W G Clements	J T Ballentine, Varina, *	171	7	2		1	1		174	Jas. Powell	R L Steed, Varina, ‡	1	3	6	40	46		yes	7 50
Walnut Grove	J W Wellons	A T Grissom, Grissom, *	35	4				1		38	A T Grissom	miss Della Grissom, Grissom, ‡	1	3	5	18	23		yes	
Wunder			39																	
Youngsville	S B Klapp	T L Moss, Youngsville, *	58	6	2		1	1		60	I C winston	T L Moss, Youngsville, ‡	1	6	8	64	72		yes	12 50
Zion	J W Holt	W A Wicker, Osgood, *	174	1				2		173	H C Farrell	Robt. Farrell, Lockville, ‡	1	7	11	95	106	30	yes	5 00
Lexington	W H Roach	E D Turner, Lexington, *		16						16										
Goshen Chapel	S B Klapp	R T Slaughter, Berea, *		30						30	R T Slaughter	miss Sallie M Gill, Berea, ‡	1	4	3	40	43		no	
Mt Vernon	W J Lam	mrs Ella Jennings, Burlington, *								15										
Piney Plain	C H Rolland			29						29										
Antioch (W)		Mrs N J Harris, Elams, *		33						33	mrs. N J Harris	E H Harris, Elams, ‡	1	4	6	30	36		yes	1 50
Graham																				

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MINISTERIAL RERORTS

MINISTERS	No. Sermons	No. Lectures	Prayer Meet'gs	Conversions	Pastoral Visits	Funer'l Serm'ns	Marriages	Amount of Salary
J P Barrett	100	50	40	50		5	3	1000 00
J w Barrett	60			96	200		3	400 00
M w Butler	100		45	30		10	10	550 00
H H Butler	104	12		227	350	43	13	675 00
R D H Demarest	32	5	10					
J w Harrell	130	2	50	118		4		518 00
R H Holland	3						2	
J T Kitchen	60			100		8	20	285 00
w J Laine	107	18	26	100	291	9	3	479 10
w S Long	74	16	100	15		4	2	420 00
N G Newman	65				166	16	7	659 88
J w Rawles	100	2	50	64	200		8	400 00
w w Staley	100	15	40	1	400	21	11	1200 00

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

THIRD ANNUAL SESSION

—OF THE—

Western N. C. Christian Conference,

HELD AT ASHEBORO, RANDOLPH COUNTY, N. C.

ASHEBORO, RANDOLPH CO., N. C.,
November 10, 1896.

The Western North Carolina Christian Conference met here today at 11 o'clock a. m., and was called to order in its third annual session by Rev. H. A. Albright, President of last session. Religious services were conducted by Rev. P. H. Fleming.

Elders responding to the roll were: Revs. P. H. Fleming, H. A. Albright, P. T. Way, J. S. Lawrence, J. R. Comer, J. A. Webster, J. W. Patton, S. H. Way, J. W. Parker.

The churches were represented by delegates as follows:—

Ashboro: Jno. G. Stout, W. A. Grimes; Antioch (R.): R. K. Brady, W. N. Hayes; Brown's Chapel: J. R. McNeill, W. L. Brewer; Big Oak: M. D. McKenzie, H. Morgan; Burlington: Jno. R. Foster, Mrs. W. H. Carroll; Christian Union: Wm. Cagle; Center Grove: J. H. Knight, T. E. White; Grace Chapel: J. H. Phillips; Liberty: O. T. Hatch; New Center: Wright Davis, T. W. Lawrence; New Providence: J. S. Long, Jas. M. Turner; Pleasant Grove: I. F. Brady, J. F. Cox; Pleasant Cross: J. A. Hinson, W. J. Coward; Pleasant Ridge: H. D. Wright, V. M. Cox; Phillip's Chapel: M. E. Hammer, D. W. Cox; Shiloh: B. S. Moffitt, S. L. Hayworth; Smithwood: P. C. Humble, N. Lowe;

Spoon's Chapel: J. C. Wright, Wm. McPherson; St. John's: C. A. Lamb, P. R. Lowe; Union Grove: S. S. Cox, D. C. Brown; Zion: W. D. Buchanan, J. A. Kelly; Patterson's Grove: J. W. Ellison, J. M. Patterson; Ramsuer: J. M. Parks.

There being a quorum present, Conference went into the election of officers: Rev. P. H. Fleming was unanimously elected President.

Rev. P. T. Way was elected permanent Secretary, Bro. J. N. Cagle having resigned that position; Bro. R. K. Bradly was elected Assistant Secretary.

The annual address being next in order, it was, on motion, deferred until tomorrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

Rev. H. A. Albright was added to the Committee on Moral Reform and the Committee on Peace and Arbitration.

On motion, Rev. M. L. Hurley, of the Eastern Virginia Conference, Rev. A. P. Barbee, of the Eastern North Carolina Conference, and Dr. F. E. Asbury and Bro. R. C. Palmer, of the M. E. church were invited to seats as deliberative members.

The church reports were called for and read. Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met at 2 o'clock p. m.

Bro. J. N. Cagle, who was appointed at last session to look after and report absent ministers, reported that certain ministers had failed to offer any excuse for such absence. On motion, the report was referred to the Committee on Education.

The Executive Committee offered the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

May 15th, 1896, we elected Rev. J. W. Patton to represent this conference in the Southern Convention held at Burlington, vice Rev J. R. Comer, resigned.

August 25th, 1896, at his request, we gave Rev. W. B. Richardson a certificate of transfer from this conference.

J. S. LAWRENCE,
J. W. PATTON,
Committee.

Rev. M. Crator, pastor of the Asheboro M. E. church, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member, and was introduced to the Conference by the President. Revs. J. U. Newman and C. C. Peel arrived and were enrolled.

An account of two dollars for stationery, etc., in favor of Bro. J. N. Cagle, was allowed and Secretary was ordered to draw on the Treasurer for same.

Ministerial reports were called for and read.

On motion, Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., of the Norfolk Memorial Temple, Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., President of the Southern Christian Convention, Rev. W. T. Herndon, of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, and Prof. E. L. Moffitt, editor of the Christian Sun, were invited to take seats as deliberative members in this body.

Bro. O. T. Hatch was appointed to collect money for Annuals.

Bros. Jno. R. Foster, Jas. M. Turner and R. K. Brady, were constituted a tabulating committee.

Pleasant Ridge, Randolph county, (near Ramseur) was selected as the place for the next annual session of this body, and Wednesday after the second Sunday in November, 1897, was agreed to as the time of meeting.

Rev. Dr. J U. Newman was elected to deliver the next annual address. with Rev. P. H. Fleming as alternate.

Fraternal messengers were elected as follows:—To all the conferences, Prof. E. L. Moffitt, editor of the Christian Sun; to Virginia Valley: Rev. P. H. Fleming; Eastern North Carolina: Revs. P. T. Way and H. A. Albright; Eastern Virginia: Revs. C. C. Peel and J. U. Newman; North Carolina and Virginia: Revs. J. S. Lawrence and J. W. Patton; M. P. Conference at Burlington: Rev. P. H. Fleming and Bro. W. H. Carroll.

Rev. P. T. Klapp was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

The ministerial report of Rev. W. H. Roach was referred to the Educational Committee.

It was agreed that Conference meet each day at 9 o'clock a. m., adjourn at 12 o'clock for dinner, re-assemble at 1:30 o'clock p. m., and adjourn at will.

Adjourned. Benediction by Rev. H. A. Albright.

SECOND DAY'S SESSION, NOV. 11.

Conference assembled at 9 o'clock a. m. Roll called —quorum present. Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Following delegates were enrolled: Mt. Union: S. G. Phillips; Parks Cross Roads: J. R. Parks; Shady Grove: Hiram Freeman; Macedonia: Albert Smith, J. H. Wright. Rev. W. W. Lawrence was enrolled.

The Foreign Mission Committee offered their report. It was discussed by Revs. C. C. Peel, J. R. Comer, J. U. Newman, W. W. Staley, J. P. Barrett and Prof. E. L. Moffitt. Pending discussion, the hour for the annual address having arrived, Conference suspended business, and the address was delivered by Rev. J. W. Patton, the alternate appointed at last session.

Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference re-assembled for business at 1:30 p. m. Devotional exercises led by Rev. J. R. Comer.

Revs. C. C. Peel and J. R. Comer were added to the Committee on Sunday Schools.

Rev. C. C. Peel was added to Committee on Education.

Rev. H. A. Albright was added to the Home Mission Committee.

The report on Foreign Missions, left pending before noon, was taken up and adopted with further discussion:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Recognizing that implicit obedience to God is necessary to the fullest development of Christian character and to the attainment of Heaven's richest blessings, we should both hear and obey the divine injunction "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."

The gospel is so broad that it would embrace the entire human family in its fold—the spirit of Christ is to save all men, and, "except we have the Spirit of Christ, we are none of His."

Our work in Japan is steadily increasing, and the demands increase with the work. At no time have such hopeful signs of the work been given as at the present.

As the empire is being revolutioned the people are reaching out after that which is helpful in life.

That we may give them the gospel to assist them in the great work of character building, we recommend the following:

First, That each church set apart one Sabbath as mission day, with suitable service, to inform our people of the needs of the heathen and our duty to them; and that the reports to the next session of this body show whether such service has been held.

Second, That our people endeavor to supply themselves with mission literature such as the Christian Missionary, published at Dayton, Ohio.

Third, That each church raise an amount for Foreign Missions of not less than ten cents per member.

Fourth, That the Secretary of this body draw an order on our Treasurer in favor of J. A. Mills, Treasurer of the Southern Christian Convention, Raleigh, N C., for the amount in hand for Foreign Mission, so that it may be subject to the Board of the Southern Christian Convention.

C. C. PEEL,
J. W. PATTON,
J. R. COMER,
Committee.

On motion, Rev. Rufus King, a noted minister of the Friends church, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member. After being introduced to the body by the President, he accepted the invitation in a happy little speech, after which he led the Conference in a very earnest prayer, especially for the suffering Armenians of the Turkish empire.

The Committee on Sunday Schools offered its report. After an earnest discussion by Revs. C. C, Peel, J. U. Newman, J. H. Wright, P. T. Way, Rufus King, P. T. Klapp and W. W. Staley, the report was adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We urge all our churches to organize and maintain well-conducted Sabbath schools in connection with their other efforts for Christ. The entire membership of the church, together with the children represented in the bounds of the congregation, should be in the Sabbath school. We therefore recommend the following:

1. That our Sabbath schools use the literature published at Dayton, Ohio.
2. That such helps as the Sunday School Times be used by teachers.
3. That our pastors give special atqention to Sunday School work.
4. That both ministers and Sunday Schools report themselves to the next Sunday School Convention of this conference.

C. C. PEEL,
J. R. COMER,
B. F. KERNS.

On motion, this Conference adopted the Principles and Form of Government of the Christian church as revised by the Southern Christian Convention.

REPORT ON PEACE AND ARBITRATION.

We, your Committee en Peace and Arbitration, submit the following report:

The followers of Christ should abstain as much as possible from strife, and cultivate a peaceful mind and disposition towards their fellow men. We recommend that bfore any member of any church belonging to this conference goes into any litigation that they read the 6th chapter of First Corinthians and 12th chapter of Romans and pray that their minds and hearts be guided by the Holy Spirit and follow strictly their Master, who is the Prince of Peace.

We believe all litigation, whether in war, fighting, or law, is not in accordance with the teachings of Christ. The law of limitation governs civilization. May the time soon come when international arbitration will avail in settling all disputes between all civilized nations, and the peaceful religion of Christ reign in the hearts of the children of men of the different nations. Let us pray, brethren, for a stronger emanation of the true light of Christ to shine out of the hearts of men that the civilized nations may be at war no more.

W. W. LAWRENCE,
H. A. ALBRIGHT.
JAS. A. WEBSTER,
Committee.

Report adopted without discussion.

The report of Committee on Religious Literature was read, and afterwards discussed by Revs. J. W. Patton, C. C. Peel, Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Revs. A. P. Barbee, J. P. Barrett, W. W. Staley and P. T. Klapp and adopted:

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

This is a reading age. The world is seeking after knowledge, and this longing is, to a great extent, being fed by the books and periodicals at hand.

As the human system assimilates the food eaten, so the mind does the literature read; and therefore the approximate profession or vocation and even character of a reading man may be ascertained by carefully examining his table and library. A Godly man delights not in the perusal of Jesse James, of Trilby, and of dime novels, neither gives place to them in his alcoves: "But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His law doth he meditate day and night."—

And, therefore, for the good of our people we would recommend:

1. That the reading of all low grade books and periodicals be discouraged and if possible be excluded from our homes.
2. That the ministers in charge of churches in the bounds of this conference do all in their power to place the Christian Sun in every home.
3. That our Sunday schools use the literature issued from the Christian Publishing House, Dayton, Ohio.
4. That our publications, such as "Our Principles and Government", "Facing the Truth", "Christians Not Disciples", etc., be circulated as far as possible by our ministers and laymen.
5. That so far as possible our people take the Herald of Gospel Liberty and Christian Missionary
6. A more careful and systematic study of the Bible, and especially by our ministers.
7. The endorsement of the Southern Christian Publishing House as projected by the Southern Christian Convention last June; and urge our churches to send up to conference the assessment, made by the Convention, of an amount aggregating ten cents per member.

J. W. PATTON,
P. T. WAY,
W. W. LAWRENCE.

The Committee on Moral Reform offered their report as follows:

REPORT OF MORAL REFORM.

Whrreas, intemperance is one of the greatest evils of our age, the parent of crime and the destroyer of peace, the enemy of home and cause of Christ corrupting morals, destroying reason, causing tears of sorrow and broken hearts,

making orphans and widows, sending thousands of souls annually into endless perdition; and,

Whereas, this great evil is established in almost every town and city and district of this good land, and finds protection and license in the laws of our country; and,

Whereas, the Word from which no appeal can be taken is clearly against this monster vice; Therefore, be it Reso ved,

1. That as a body of Christian workers we enter our protest against the manufacture, sale, and use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage.

2. That we urge each pastor to preach at least one sermon during the year on the subject of temperance.

3 That we urge each church to co operate with their their pastor and do all in their power to abolish this banefu' evil from our midst.

4. We discourage social card playing, wine parties, Sabbath desecration, horse-racing, or any games of chance for raising money for any purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. PARKER,
S. H. WAY,
J. S. LONG.

Pending the report, Conference adjourned until tomorrow. Benediction by Rev. C. C. Peel.

THIRD DAY'S SESSION, NOV. 12.

Conference met at 9 o'clock a. m. with President Fleming in the chair. Religious services were conducted by Rev. H. A. Albright. Roll call showed quorum present.

Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The report of Committee on Moral Reform, left pending yesterday evening, was taken up, discussed by Revs. S. H. Way, W. N. Hayes, H. A. Albright, A. P. Barbee, and adopted.

Bro. L. I. Cox and also Rev. Mr. Cecil, of the M. P. church, were invited to seats as deliberative members. Bro. Cecil was introduced to the body by the President, after which he made a few appropriate remarks.

On motion, Rev. P. H. Fleming was appointed a commissioner from this body to act with like commissioners from the North Carolina and Virginia, and the Eastern North Carolina Conferences, looking to the union of the Christian church with the Methodist church.

The report on education was read, and earnestly discussed by Revs. J. U. Newman and W. W. Staley, and adopted.

EDUCATIONAL REPORT.

The demand of the church, the need of the age is Christian education; not for the sake of knowledge and culture as an end, but that these may prepare the Christian worker for more efficient service.

In recognition of this fact the Southern Convention has established Elon College that young men and women may better equip themselves for Christian usefulness. Of its equipment, ptaronage, recognized standing, and work already done, the church is justly proud.

The College is a temple of Christian learning dedicated to Christ. We strongly urge our young people to avail themselves of the literary advantages and religious training which it offers.

We recommend:

1. To ministers already in the work desiring to continue systematic study, the Correspondence College, of which Rev. Martyn Summerbell, D. D., is President.
2. That Bros. T. E White and R. K. Brady be admitted into the Biblical Class.
3. The licensure of Bro. L. I. Cox.
4. That the ordination of Rev. H. E. Hammer be deferred.
5. That conference loan, immediately, to Bro. L. I. Cox twenty-five dollars, and instruct the secretary to draw an order on the Treasurer of conference in favor of L. I. Cox for the same.
6. That if any minister fails to report himself, in person or letter, for two successive conferences, his name be dropped from the roll of ministers.
7. That Rev. W. H. Roach is no longer a member of this body.
8. That the assessments for education be the same as last year.

J. U. NEWMAN,
J. S. LAWRENCE,
C. C. PEEL,
H. A. ALBRIGHT,
P. T. WAY.

The report on Home Mission was offered by the committee. After being discussed by Revs. H. A. Albright, A. P. Barbee and Bro. E. A. Moffitt, the report was left pending and conference adjourned for the dedication of the Asheboro Christian church.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference convened at 3 o'clock p. m. Rev. H. T. Moffitt, who had been delayed by sickness in his family reported himself and was enrolled.

The report on Home Missions was again taken up. After being discussed by Revs. P. T. Way, P. H. Fleming, J. R. Comer, W. T. Herndon, P. T. Klapp, C. C. Peel and Bro. J. S. Long, it was adopted:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Home Missions would report that the work of Home Missions is of vast importance to the success of our church and to the spread of the glorious principles of the Christian church. Weak individual churches need help to sustain a pastor, that they may grow and become self-sustaining. New fields are continually opening to us and inviting us to occupy. To prose-

cute this work to success we are compelled to have means. We have ministers ready to work in the missionary fields if they can be sustained.

We recommend that churches, the ensuing conference year, raise not less than the following amounts:

Antioch (R), $2; Asheboro, 6; Antioch (C), 3; Brown's Chapel, 5; Big Oak, 4; Burlington, 25; Christian Union 5; Clover Orchard, 4; Center Grove, 4; Egypt, 2; Graham, 5; Grace's Chapel, 5; Hank's Chapel, 6; High Point, 3; Keyser, 1; Liberty, 3; Macedonia, 1; Mt Union, 2; New Center 5; New Providence 15; Park's Cross Roads, 12; Pleasant Grove, 12; Patterson's Grove, 3; Pleasant Cross, 2; Pleasant Ridge, 10; Pleasant Union, 2; Pleasant Hill, 12; Poplar Branch, 2; Phillip's Chapel, 2; Shiloh, 8; Smithwood, 5; Sharon's Chapel, 3; Shady Grove, 7; St. John's, 3; Union Grove, 6; Winder, 1; Zion, 13; Ramseur, 3.

Rev. W. D. Harward has served the church at Ramseur during the past year, Rev. P. T. Klapp the church at Asheboro, and Rev. P. H. Fleming has had charge of the Graham work. The outlook for building up sustaining churches at each of these points is good.

We recommend that the following amounts be given to the churches named below to aid them in securing a pastor: Ramseur, $25; Asheboro, 2 ; Graham, 2 ; St. Johns, 10; Pleasant Cross, 5.

We recommend the payment of $12 50 balance due Rev. W. D. Harward for services at Ramsenr,

We urge that each of our churches hold children's day services, and that the offering of the same be turned over to Home Missions.

We recommend that ministers receiving aid from Home Mission Committee report quarterly to the chairman of said committee the work done, and that when such report shall have been approved by a majority of the Home Mission Committee, an order may be drawn by the chairman of said committee for the payment of the same.

We ask that all available funds in hand unapportioned at the close of this session to the credit of Home Mission Fund be placed at the disposal of the Home Mission Committee in procuring pastors for any weak churches not supplied.

J. S. LAWRENCE,
H. A. ALBRIGHT,
P. H. FLEMING.

This Conference decided to take one membership in the Christian Missionary Association. The Secretary was ordered to draw on the Treasury for $4.50 to supplement individual subscriptions for that purpose.

Bro. O. T. Hatch reported that he lacked $20.80 of having enough money to pay for four hundred copies of the Annual. On motion, the Secretary was ordered to draw on the Treasury for that amount in favor of Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Publishing Agent, that amount to be taken from the contingent fund.

The President announced the following Standing Committees.

Executive: J. U. Newman, Ph. D., H. T. Moffitt, P. H. Fleming.

Sabbath Schools: Rev. J. R. Comer, L. E. Brady, Rev. B. F. Kerns.

Moral Reform: Revs. H. A. Albright, W. W. Lawrence, S. H. Way.

Foreign Missions: Revs. C. C. Peel, J. W. Parker, J. A. Webster.

Education: Revs. Dr. J. U. Newman, H. A. Albright, C. C. Peel, P. H. Fleming.

Religious Literature: Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Revs. P. T. Way, J. W. Patton.

Home Missions: Revs. J. W. Patton, C. C. Peel, J. S. Lawrence, P. H. Fleming.

The attention of Conference was called to the condition of the work at High Point. After some discussion of the matter, Conference requested Rev. P. T. Klapp to take the work at that point in charge.

The Secretary was instructed by Conference to draw an order on the Treasury for $10.00, in favor of Rev. P. T. Klapp to help defray his expenses in looking after the Hight Point work.

On motion, it was decided to place the Annuals subscribed for by this Conference from the contingent fund in the hands of the Secretaries of the various churches to be sold at the regular price and that the amount received from such sales be put back into the contingent fund.

The following resolutions were offered and adopted, after a lively discussion by several members of Conference:

RESOLVED, That this conference require all the churches to bring up all the amounts asked for at this session in full, and that both churches and pastors shall render an excuse at our next annual session for any failure to comply with this requirement.

Resolved further, That in case such failure is due to the pastor's neglect of duty, the church shall so decide at its last quarterly conference and so report him in its annual letter to this body at its next sesion. Otherwise the pastor shall stand exonerated for such failure before this body, and the church itself be answerable to conference.

The Executive Committee was, on motion, instructed to loan on the usual terms, to Bro. L. I. Cox any amount that may be collected during the coming year on the notes held by the Treasurer of this Conference against Rev. W. C. Wicker in order to enable Bro. Cox to continue his studies at Elon College.

On motion, this Conference endorsed the action of the Southern Christian Convention in establishing a Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

On motion, the Secretary was allowed five dollars for his services at this session, and was authorized by Conference to draw on contingent fund for same.

Treasurer offered his report, which was adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

E. A. Moffitt, Treasurer,
in account with the
The Western N. C. Christian Conference.

		Dr.	Cr.
1896	HOME MISSIONS		
Nov 10	To balance on hand as per last report,	$ 83 80	
	To connference collections 1895,	85 63	
	By coms. on $83.63 @ 1 ½ per cent,		$ 1 25
1895			
Nov	By paid Christian Association,		10 00
Nov	By paid Liberty church,		5 00
Nov	By paid Rev. P. H. Fleming,		25 00
Nov	By paid Rev. P. T. Klapp,		25 00
1896			
Jnne 1	By paid Rev. W. D. Harvard,		12 50
	By coms on $77.50 @ 1½ per cent,		1 16
Nov 10	By balance on hand,		97 52
		$177 43	$177 43
1896	FOREIGN MISSIONS		
Nov 10	To balance on hand as per last report,	$28 80	
Nov 10	To amount collected at conference 1895,	73 40	
Nov	By coms. on $73.40,		1 10
	By paid J. A. Mills per order conference,		70 00
	By coms. on $70,		1 05
	By balance on hand,		30 05
		$102 20	$102 20
1895	EDUCATIONAL FUND		
	To balance on hand as per last report. (This is $22.20 less a note on J R. Comer reported in last report),	$26 29	
Nov	To amount collected at Conference 1895,	9 12	
	By coms. on $9.12,		$ 14
1896			
Jan 8	By pald L. I. Cox,		25 00
Nov 10	By balance on hand,		10 27
		$35 41	$35 41
	CONTINGENT FUND		
	To balance on hand as per last report,	$34 20	
	To amount collected at conference 1895,	11 27	
	To amount brought from Church Extension Fund, as order of conference,	15 32	
	By coms. on $26.59,		$ 40
1895			
Nov	By paid J. N. Cagle,		10 32
Dec 31	By paid E. L. Moffitt on order,		16 60
1896			
Nov 10	By paid J. N. Cagle on order,		2 00
	By coms. on $28.92,		43
	By balance on hand,		32 11
		$61 86	$61 86

NOTES ON HAND AS FOLLOWS:

One on J. R. Comer,	$22 20
One on Henry H. Gassaday,	35 00
One on W. D. Harward	35 00
One on L. I. Cox,	25 00
	$117 20

E. A. MOFFITT,

The Treasurer was authorized to turn into the Home Mission fund the full amount in hand to the credit of church extension.

Prof. E. L. Moffitt was elected to represent this Conference in the Missionary Association.

Rev. P. H. Fleming was, on motion, elected to act with a committee from the North Carolina and Virginia Conference and the Eastern North Carolina Conference in petitioning the next Legislature of this State to appoint a Chaplain for the State Penitentiary.

By request of the President, Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., then licensed Bro. L. I. Cox to preach the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. The charge was very earnest and impressive.

The following resolution was heartily and unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, That the thanks of this conference be hereby tendered the pastor and members of this church and the good people of Asheboro for the very hospitable manner in which they have entertained the members of this body.

On motion, Conference adjourned to meet with the church at pleasant Ridge on Wednesday, after second Sunday in November, 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m. Benediction by Rev. M. L. Hurley.

P. T. WAY, Sec., Moffitt, N. C.

P. H. FLEMING, Pres., Graham, N. C.

STATISTICALL TABLE

Churches	Pastors	Secretaries and their Postoffices	Present M'b'rship	No. Last Session	Received Since	Dismissed	withdrawn	No. Died	Suspended	Paid Pastor	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Educational Fund	Contingent Fund	Other Purposes	Total Amount	Value of Church Property	No. in S. School	Officers Teachers	Raised by S. School
Antioch (R)	J R Comer	w w Brady, Cheeks	30	29	1					15 00	65	60			30 75	47 00	400	25	5	
Asheboro	P T Klapp	T J Moffitt, Asheboro	30	30	1			1		100 00	7 00	7 00	2 00	1 00	8 00	125 00	1500	44	6	20 00
Antioch (C)	M E Hammer	Susie Gough, Goldston	84	81	6		1	2		33 35	2 10					35 45	200	64	7	3 25
Brown's Chapel	J S Lawrence	w L Brewer, Spencer	128	125	2			1		15 00							400			
Big Oak	H A Albright	R L williams, Big Oak	73	75			3			17 00	1 09	1 00				19 09	500	24	3	
Burlington	P H Fleming	I N walker, Burlington	163	143	30	7	1	2		350 00	25 00	10 47	7 00	1 00	658 45	1051 92	5000	160	20	96 60
Chrtstian Union	J R Comer	wi liam C agle, why Not	89	72	17	1		1		15 00							250	40	7	
Center grove	A P Barbee	T J Bland, Rosewood	42	39	4	1				40 00	4 00	2 25	3 00	43	8 05	53 18	750	40	7	2 71
Cumnock	A P Barbee	w M Gunter, Cumnock	39	37	6			4		31 00	1 50	25		10		33 85		116	8	
Graham	P H Fleming	J D Kernodle, Graham	23	16	8		1				3 00	1 05	2 00	45	200 00	206 50		[illegible]		
Grace Chapel	A P Barbee	D J Riddle, Sanford	82	70	14			2		40 00	3 00	2 68		82		46 50	600	51	7	5 00
High Point	E H Jarrell	w H Gurley, High Point	49	57	1	1	3				65					65	1500	41	6	7 50
Hanks Chapel	G R Underwood	Artemus Hatch, Pittsboro	143	144	19		3	2		100 00	4 16	5 25	2 12	1 45		112 91	500	58	6	6 00
Liberty	J R Comer	C C Hatch, Liberty	32	34	2						2 03	1 24	76	32			400	30	5	10 00
Mt Union																				
New Center	B F Kerns	E E McNeal, why Not	81	91	1	8		1		21 40	1 50					22 90		25	4	
New Providence	P H Fleming	J M Turner, Graham	235	239	10	9		5		215 85	22 00	10 00	11 00	70	77 30	346 85	3000	70	5	36 65
Parks X Roads	J w Parker	R w York, Kild e	108	107	1					60 00	2 46	2 00				64 46	1000			
Patterson Grove	H A Albright	J A Ellison, Franklinsvi le	49	58		4		1	4	20 25						20 25	600	85	10	5 00
Pleasant Grove	B F Ke ns	A L Brady, Cheeks	225	222	5			2		14 00	2 95	1 05	70		198 61	207 31	900			
Pleasant Gross	J S Lawrence	J A Henson, Central Falls	32	29	5					15 00	75					15 70	300			
Pleasaut Ridge	J R Comer	w E Allred, Ramseur	129	123	3	1	2	2	4	30 00	1 54	3 47			2 30	36 88	800	75	6	
Pleasant Hill																				
Philips Chapel																				
Shiloh	P T way	B S Moffitt, Moffitt	152	152	7	5	1	1		53 50	2 48	2 00				57 99	500	50	6	6 00
Spoon's Chapel	B F Kerns	G H Kinney, Asheboro	32	28	6			2		13 00	51	45			2 00	15 96	200			
Smithwood	P T way	P D Reitzel, Liberty	73	82	1		1	2	6	31 70						47 00	500			
Shady Grove	J S Lawrence	H Freeman, Martin's Mills	93	91	4			2		23 00	2 32				5 00	30 32	100	47	4	2 00
St John	J w Parker	C A Lambe, Randleman	76	48	29			1		67 32	2 00	2 40	1 00		9 00	81 72	300	62	9	9 91
Ramsuer	w D Harward	Jas A Parks, Ramseur	32	22	12			2		55 00	1 50	1 50				58 00	500	40	4	
Union Grove	P T way	E L Brown, Empire	83	76	8			1		50 00	2 50	2 75		83		56 08	1000	50	6	
Macedonia		Levi Tucker, Asheboro	19	26				3	4								150			
Zion	G R Underwood	R B Fer ell, Bryant	214	213	10			1		100 00	2 00	2 00		42		104 42	500	60	8	3 00
Keyser		John Campbell, Keyser															500			

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

SEVENTY-FISRT ANNUAL SESSION

—OF THE—

N. C. and Va. Christian Conference,

HELD AT MT. BETHEL, ROCKINGHAM CO., N. C.

TUESDAY, NOV. 17, 1896.

The N. C. &. Va. Christian Conference was called to order at the above named church today by Rev. P. T. Klapp, President of last session. Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. P. T. Klapp.

Elders present: T. B. Dawson, H. C. Fulton, W. T. Herndon, J. W. Holt, P. T. Klapp, J. W. Wellons, S. B. Klapp, T. W. Strowd, J. W. Pinnix, J. O. Atkinson.

Licentiates present: J. S. Carden.

Lay-delegates.—Apples Chapel: D. L. Thomas, G. Q. Wagoner; Bethlehem: D. W. Gilliam, D. F. Kernodle, J. U. Sutton, J. F. Madren; Bethel: J. E. Herndon; Belews Creek: J. W. Freeman, Mrs. J. W. Freeman; Big Falls: Jos. C. McAdams, Charles Walters; Concord: Daniel Garrison, Miss Ida R. Anderson; Durham:——; Elon College: S. A. Holleman; Goshen Chapel:——; Hines Chapel: W. A. Heath; Haw River: H. V. Simpson; Happy Home: J. W. Alverson, W. D. Wall; Hebron: L. H. Yancy; Howard's Chapel: W. P. Gunn, W. B. Madison; Ingram: W. A. Boyd, H. C. Carlton; Kallum Grove: J. W. Kallum, T. W. Steward; Lebanon; W. L. Taylor; Lexington:——; Longs Chapel: J. A. Dickey, A. O. Huffman; Mt. Bethel: J. Q. Barham, D. I. Cummings; Mt. Zion:——; Pleasant Grove:——; Pleasant Ridge: W. W. McKaughan, J. H. Barker; Salem Chapel: J. R. T. Caffey, J. A. Strader; South Boston:——; Sage Garden: Pinkney Stafford; Shal-

low Ford: G. D. Cobb, G. C. Burke; Union, N. C.: J. S. Foster, E. M. King, E. W. Wilkins; Union, Va.: E. C. A. Tuck.

Rev. P. T. Klapp was chosen President and W. L. Taylor Assistant Secretary.

Rev. M. L. Hurley, of the Eastern Va. Christian Conference, and Revs. J. W. Patton, C. C. Peel and E. L. Moffitt, of the Western N. C. Christian Conference were invited to seats in Conference.

Rev. J. W. Wellons then delivered the annual address.

Conference decided to meet each day at 9:30 a. m., adjourn at 12 m. for dinner. Meet at 1 p. m. and adjourn at will.

On motion, adjourned for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference convened.

H. V. Simpson was appointed to take subscriptions for Christian Annual.

Rev. J. W. Holt was chosen to deliver the next annual address, with J. O. Atkinson as alternate.

Revs. J. W. Wellons, W. T. Herndon and S. B. Klapp, were appointed to receive invitations for the next session of Conference.

Conference appointed fraternal messengers as follows: To the Va. V. Conference: Revs. J. W. Holt, W. T. Herndon; Eastern Va., Conference: Revs. J. W. Wellons, P. T. Klapp; Eastern N. C. C.: Revs. J. W. Wellons, W. T. Herndon; Ga. & Ala. Conference: Revs. P. T. Klapp, J. W. Wellons; Western N. C. Conference: Revs. P. T. Klapp, W. T. Kerndon, J. W. Holt; M. P. N. C. Conference: Revs. J. W. Holt, P. T. Klapp.

The Committee on Home Missions submitted their report. Pending discussion, Conference adjourned.

SECOND DAY.

Conference called to order by the President. Religious exercises conducted by Rev. C. C. Peel. Roll of minutes of first day read and approved.

On motion, members of Conference must obtain leave of absence from the body before retiring.

The report of the Committee on Home Missions, pending at the time of adjournment, was made special order at 1 o'clock p. m. today.

Several delegates arrived and were enrolled.

J. O. Atkinson, H. V. Simpson and S. B. Klapp, were appointed a committee on Religious Literature.

A petition from a new church at South Boston, Va., was received, and the church enrolled a member of Conference.

On motion, the church at Big Falls, N. C., having been re-organized, was replaced on the roll of churches, and its delegates enrolled.

On motion, Rev. J. W. Wellons was appointed a committee of one to act with a like committee from the Eastern and Western N. C. Conferences, to ask the General Assembly to provide a Chaplain for the Penitentiary and State farms.

Conference adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Special order, the report on Home Missions was taken up, discussed, and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The work at Durham, N. C., under Rev. J. W. Wellons seems to have made some progress during the year. They ask for $150 next year. We recommend the appropriation of $125.

Goshen Chapel asks for $25 next year to help pay their pastor.

Lexington, N. C., asks for the same amount for the same purpose. We do not favor any appropriation.

Haw River, N. C., asks for $100 from the Church Extension Fund to aid in the completion of their church. We recommend the appropriation of the amount as asked for.

South Boston, Va., asks for $25 for the support of Rev. W. C. Wicker next year. We recommend $25 for the ensuing year.

Kallum Grove asks for assistance next year. We recommend $25 to this point, provided they make satisfactory arrangments for a pastor. The matter to be determined by the chairman of this committee.

We recommend quarterly reports and quarterly payments, except in the case of Haw River and Big Falls, which are to be paid from Church Extension Fund in one payment. All from Home Home Mission Fund except the amts. to Haw River and Big Falls.

Big Falls asks for help. We recommend ten dollars from Extension Fund.

We recommend that all ministers of this conference be urged to look out and occupy new points where there is promise of success.

We recommend the same assessment as last year for next year for Home Missions, except in case of Elon College to be reduced to ten dollars.

J. W. HOLT,
Chairman.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to draw an

order on the Treasurer for the amount held by this Conference belonging to Big Falls, to be paid to proper authorities, for the church at Big Falls. Amount $47.64

The Committee on Moral Reform reports as follows, which was adopted:

REPORT OF MORAL REFORM.

We your committee submit the following:

That we profess personally to be Christians and representatives of our Lord, and as an organization to be an integral part of His body, the church militant, Therefore, Resolved,

1. That we will earnestly try in all things and by all means possible, God being our helper, to do those things which Christ our Master would do were He in our midst.

2. That we hereby pledge ourselves both to God and man to use our full influence as Christians and citizens without fear or favor to bring about the utter overthrow and entire destruction of the liquor traffic in all alcoholic beverages.

3. That we acknowledge the sad condition of the Christian Sabbath; that it is largely beyond control of Christian civilization; that we use all our energies in church and state to its recovery from the desecrating powers of its most inveterate enemies, to its consecration, protection, and perpetration as a divine ordination and means of grace.

4. That we feel the need of a higher type of Christianity; that we earnestly seek for that purity of life which shall by example as well as precept redeem our people from all sinfulness and injurious habits, such as immoral association, card playing, traveling, vanity, excess in eating, inordinate love of money worldly-mindedness, uncleanliness of mouth from the unnecessary use of tobacco, smutty gossip, and all kinds of immorality, with general extravagance in conversation.

5 That we commend to our people vital godliness, purity of character and the necessity of a more thoroughly consecrated life to the faithful service to the glory and honor of God.

6. We recommend the use of unfermented wine in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

S. B. KLAPP,
J. W. PINNIX.

The Treasurer's report was submitted and referred to a Committee on Finance, composed of H. V. Simpson, J. C. McAdams and T. B. Dawson.

The report on Foreign Missions was made special order for 11 a. m. tomorrow.

Ten thirty o'clock tomorrow was set to hear from Rev. W. T. Herndon in regard to the Missionary Association.

Report on Education was set for 2 p. m. tomorrow.

Report on Religious Literature was set for 1 o'clock p. m. tomorrow.

Conference adjourned.

THIRD DAY, NOV. 19.

Conference called to order by the president. Relig-

ious exercises conducted by S. A. Holleman. Minutes of second day read and approved.

Lebanon, Caswell Co., N. C., was selected as the place for holding the next session of Conference.

The Executive Committee submitted the following report which was adopted:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We have had nothing to claim our attention during the year.
Respectfully submitted,

J. W. WELLONS,
J. O. ATKINSON,
J. W. HOLT,
Committee.

The Committee on Finance reported as follows which was adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We have examined the report and vouchers of the Treasurer, and find them correct.

J. C. MCADAMS,
H. V. SIMPSON,
Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

T. W. Strowd, Treasurer,
in account with the
The N. C. and Va. Christian Conference.

1892	HOME MISSIONS	Dr.	Cr.
Nov 22	To cash,	$510 11	
Nov 22	By cash paid S. B Klapp,		$25 00
Nov 22	By cash paid J. W. wellons,		30 94
Nov 22	By cash paid J. W. Holt,		2 70
Nov 22	By cash paid J. W. Holt, Secretary,		10 94
1896			
Feb 24	By cash paid J. W. wellons,		31 25
May	By cash paid J. W. wellons,		31 25
Jun 10	By cash paid C. C. Peel,		12 50
Aug 26	By cash paid J. W. wellons,		31 25
May	To cash received Big Falls Mills,	1 48	
Nov 17	By cash paid Treasurer's commission 1½ per cent,		2 20
Nov 18	By cash paid C. C. Peel, no receipt,		12 50
Nov 18	By cash paid J W. wellons,		31 25
Nov 18	By cash in bank,		89 81
		$311 59	$311 59
1896			
Nov 18	To cash in bank,	$ 89 81	
Nov 18	To cash received,	195 00	
		$284 81	

1895	FOREIGN MISSIONS		
Nov 22	To cash,	$121 29	
Nov 26	By cash paid J. A. Mills,		$115 00
Nov 16	By cash paid Treas. coms.,		1 66
1896			
Nov 18	By cash in bank,		4 63
		$121 29	$121 29
Nov 18	To cash in bank,	$ 4 63	
Nov 18	To cash received,	192 01	
		$196 64	
1895	CHURCH EXTENSION		
Nov 22	To cash,	$63 77	
1896			
Nov 17	By cash paid Treas. coms.,		$ 1 66
Nov 18	By cash in bank,		62 11
		$63 77	$63 77
Nov 18	To cash in bank,	$62 11	
Nov 18	To cash received,	53 16	
		$115 27	
1895	EDUCATIONAL FUND		
Nov 22	To cash,	$67 28	
1896			
Jan 30	By cash paid J. O. Atkinson for J. S. Garden,		$20 00
May 20	By cash paid J S. Carden,		20 00
Nov 17	By cash paid Treas. coms,		91
	To note W. C. wicker,	50 00	
	To note W. D. Harward,	50 00	
	To note G. C. wadford,	25 00	
	To note Henry Cassaday,	30 00	
Nov 18	By notes,		155 00
Nov 18	By cash in bank,		26 37
		$222 28	$222 28
Nov 18	To cash in bank,	$26 37	
Nov 18	To cash received,	68 95	
		$95 32	
1895	CONFERENCE FUND		
Nov 22	To cash,	$14 28	
Nov 22	By cash paid J. W. Holt, Secretary,		14 06
Nov 22	By cash paid Treas. Com.,		22
		$14 28	$14 28
1896			
Nov 18	To cash received,	$23 68	

THOS. W. STROWD,
Treasurer.

Church letters were read.

The claims of the Missionary Association were presented by Revs. W. T. Herndon and J. O. Atkinson. Conference took a membership in the Association and elected Rev. W. T. Herndon to represent this body in the Association.

The report on Foreign Missions was presented and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Foreign Missions presents the following:

Recognizing the responsibility resting upon us for the support and further development of the work already inaugurated in Japan, we feel that we have been sadly derelict to our duty in this field. Still the meagre efforts and sacrifices made by us for the Japan mission have been wonderfully blessed. Since the inauguration of the work some ten years ago the number of ministerial workers has increased from two to nineteen. There are now four church organizations and sixteen "out-stations", comprising a membership of over 300. This growth of work has necessarily increased both expense and responsibility. Lack of funds and workers is sadly felt, and though Christ the great Head of the church was himself a missionary, we as an organized band of his followers do little to follow him, our Lord and Master, in this direction.

Whereas, no apology will exempt us from doing our part of the work that is to be done and the sacrifice that is to be made in bringing the heathen into the light of the gospel, be it

Resolved, 1. That we insist on each member of the local church giving support to this foreign mission enterprise as the Lord prospers him.

2. That each church of this conference be required to have a "missionary day", the exercises of which are to consist of a sermon, or address, by the pastor, missionary songs, talks, essays or addresses by the members of said church or invited friends, and a collection to be taken, and that the pastor report to the conference as to whether said meetings were held.

3. That this conference memorialize the Board of Trustees of Elon College at their next annual session to arrange for a series of lectures or lessons to be given some time during each scholastic year at the College on the subject of foreign missions.

4. That we heartily recommend The Christian Missionary, published at Dayton, Ohio, by Rev. J. G. Bishop, price fifty cents per year, as worthy of our study and support.

5. That each church belonging to this conference be assessed not less than ten cents per member.

Respectfully submitted.

P. T. KLAPP,
J. O. ATKINSON,
W. T. HERNDON,
H. V. SIMPSON.

Conference adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference convened.

Committee on Co-operative Union reported the following:

We have had no work during the year to claim our attention.

J. O. ATKINSON,
W. T. HERNDON,
J. W. HOLT.

Report adopted and the same committee continued.

Report on Sunday Schools received and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

So far as we have been able to learn, the Sunday schools of most of our churches are in a fairly good condition.

We recommend that we as a denomination use our own literature, published at Dayton, Ohio.

2. That the pastors of the various churches be present when they possibly can, and aid in the Sunday school work.

3. That the superintendents and teachers be prompt in attendance, and that they seek divine aid—that of the Holy Spirit—in their work. They should study to show themselves approved workmen that need not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

4. Much discretion should be exercised in the selection of superintendents and teachers.

5. That the superintendents and teachers provide themselves as far as they can with all necesoary helps in literature to teach the Word of God.

A good live Sunday school is to a very great extent the life of the church.

Respectfully submitted.

T. B. DAWSON.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

No organization can hope to grow and make itself felt without a strong representative literature, and this widely disseminated. Recognizing this to be true, we recommend:

1. That our pastors be requested to take a copy of The Christian Sun with them when making pastoral calls, and never lose an opportunity of trying to place the Sun in every home where it is not now taken.

2. That the Herald of Gospel Liberty and the Christian Missionary be taken by more of our people.

3. That pastors and churches do more to disseminate all books promotive of our principles and work.

J. O. ATKINSON,
H. S. SIMPSON,
S. B. KLAPP,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Report of Committee on Education received and adopted as follows:

EDUCATIONAL REPORT.

We recognize, appreciate andendorse the educational anvantages offered at Elon College. Already have our people received an impetus and an inspiration from this source educationally not heretofore experienced in our church. The institution is doind a grand and noble work for an educated ministry and laity, and should receive the heartiest support and co-operation of all our people that its usefulness and influence may be much more extensive.

Academic and secondary schools should also be established and supported in connection with and in the neighborhood of our churches and by our people.

Brethren H. H. Cassaday and Alfred Apple, members of the Biblical class, having united themselves with other churches, and Bro. James O Dunn, also member of the Biblical class, having failed for two years to report himself to your committee or render any account of his work or progress, we recommend that their names be stricken from our list of Biblical students.

Bro. G. W. Tickle, Biblical student, made satisfactory report by letter to your committee. His brother is now teaching, but promises to re-enter Elon College next fall and complete his college course in the following June.

Bro. C. C. Wadford, Biblical student, also reporred by letter. This brother is now not in school, being unable to make necessary arrangements the past

fall. He is advised to progress in his studies as rapidly as possible and enter school at earliest possible date.

Bro. Willie Walters came before us in September begging permission to enter the Biblical class. On satisfactory examination he was admitted and is now in school at Elon College and doing well in his work. This brother asks for $10 aid for the coming year to enable him to remain in school. We recommend that the loan be made.

Bro. J. S. Carden, licentiate, now in school at Elon College, came before us to ask aid in to enable him to remain in school during the coming year. We recommend that $40 be granted—$5 per month for eight months, beginning with the present month, November,—provided the brother remains in school during the time.

We recommend same assessments for education of ministers as last year.

J. O. ATKINSON,
J. W. WELLONS,
P. T. KLAPP.

The following Standing Committees were announced by the President.—Education: J. O. Atkinson, J. W. Wellons, P. T. Klapp; Religious Literature: W. T. Herndon, T. B. Dawon, H. V. Simpson; Home Missions: T. W. Strowd, S. B. Klapp, J. T. Cobb, W. T. Herndon; Foreign Missions: J. O. Atkinson, S. A. Holleman, W. T. Herndon, J. C. McAdams; Executive Committee: J. W. Wellons, J. W. Holt, J. O. Atkinson; Moral Reform: T. W. Strowd, J. W. Pinnix, H. V. Simpson; Sunday Schools: T. B. Dawson, L. H. Yancey, S. A. Holleman.

H. V. Simpson reported $24.00 raised for the Christian Annual. His report was received and he was continued to try to raise enough to secure its publication.

The following was adopted:

RESOLVED, That this conference place upon record a hearty expression of gratitude to this community for the very hospitable manner in which it has entertained this conference.

On motion, Rev. S. B. Klapp was granted permission to take work in New York State.

On motion, the Secretary was allowed $25.00 and instructed to draw an order for the same on the Treasurer of Conference, and also to draw an order on the Treasurer for the amount on hand for Foreign Missions and to forward the same to J. A, Mills, Treasurer of the Southern Christian Convention, and also that the Secretary draw orders for all amounts appropriated at this session according to the tenor of the appropriation.

The following was adopted:

RESOLVED, That the members of each church composing this conference be assessed 3 per cents per member for Church Extension Fund.

A circular letter from the Board of Control of Franklinton College was read and the Secretary instructed to reply to the same in behalf of the Conference.

On motion, Rev. W. T. Herndon was added to the Committee on Home Missions.

The President of Conference and H. V. Simpson were appointed to review the proceedings of today before publication.

Conference adjourned to meet with the church at Lebanon, Caswell county, N. C., on Tuesday after the third Sunday in Nov. 1897 at 11 o'clock, a. m.

Prayer by Rev. C. C. Peel.

P. T. KLAPP, Pres., J. W. HOLT, Sec.
W. L. TAYLOR, Asst. Sec.

MINISTERIAL REPOLTS FOR 1896 (ABRIDGED).

Sol. Apple: Had no pastoral charge; health poor.

J. O. Atkinson: Had charge of Auburn and Elon College taught at Elon College ten months, held missionary day, obtained no subscriptions to the Sun, 45 sermons, salary $125.

T. B. Dawson: Had charge of Howard's Chapel; received ten members, held missionary day, 31 sermons, 1. for the Sun, salary 50.

W T Herndon: No charge, financial agent for Elon College; 50 sermons, 3 or 4 subscriptions to the Sun.

J. W. Holt: Churches in charge, Hines Chapel, Happy Home, Apples Chapel and Lebanon; No. sermons 100, received 44 members, held missionary services, received 25. for the Sun, salary 350, 3 marriages, 3 funerals.

P. T. Klapp: Charges, Ingram, Shallow Ford, Asheboro, Longs Chapel and Big Falls; sermons 132, members received 93, baptized 63, pastoral visits 351, missionary day held, salary 417.39, 1 marriage, 2 funerals.

S. B. Klapp: Charges, Union, Va., Goshen Chapel, Liberty Spring, two mission points; sermons 123, members received 45, baptised 30, salary 440., 10 marriages, 12 funerals.

H: C. Fulton: No charge.

J. W. Pinnix: Churches, Pleasant Ridge: sermons 30, additions 4, held missionary day, salary 25.50. 3 funerals, 4 marriages.

J. W. Wellons: Charges, Durham and two missions; sermons 183, pastoral visits, 963, conversions in charge 73, salarv 375, 4 marriages.

W. H. Ford: No charge; sermons 250, additions 30, salary small.

T. W. Strowd: Charges, Bethel and Concord, sermons 52, additions 6, salary 90.

A. F. Isely: Had no charge, preached at a mission point monthl y, 1 marriage solemnized

J. S. Carden: No charge; sermons 25, in school most of the year.

J. W. Fonville. No charge.

H. L. Hines: Charge, Harmony Grove; sermons 36, salary 11.30.

STATISTICAL TABLE											ASSESSMENTS				
CHURCHES	Paid Pastor	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Educational Fund	Church Extension	Conference Fund	Other Purposes	Total Amount	Value of Church Property	Raised by S. School	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Educational Fund	Church Extension	Conference
Apple Chapel	80 32	6 00	6 00	1 00	2 22	2 00		97 54	1200	5 00	16 50	21 70	10	6 51	2 17
Bethlehem	200 00	33 00	36 00	12 00	10 89	3 63	209 07	531 89	1800	63 78	33 00	35 10	12	1053	3 51
Bethel	50 00	4 00	4 00	2 16	1 80	60	14 00	76 56	1500	5 30	4 40	6 40	3 00	1 92	64
Belew's Creek	30 00	1 10	2 80	1 00	84	28		36 02	450	12 55	1 10	2 90	1 00	87	29
Big Falls	40 00	2 00	2 67					44 67		14 45	2 00	4 70	1 00	1 41	47
Concord	35 00	4 40	5 00			49	4 00	48 49	800	2 29	4 40	4 90	3 00	1 47	49
Durham	200 00	5 50	7 50	2 00	2 13	77		458 32	2000	40 00	5 50	8 60	2 00	2 58	86
Elon College	50 00	14 85	5 90	5 00	1 77	59		78 11		40 96	10 00	5 60	5 00	1 68	56
Goshen Chapel	25 00								500	1 80	4 40	3 40	3 20	1 02	34
Hines Chapel	81 90	6 00	4 00	1 50	2 00	1 10		96 00	800		13 20	21 70	8 00	6 51	2 17
Haw River	75 00	1 00	2 60	1 00	78	26	775 00	864 00	750		2 00	3 30	2 00	99	33
Happy Home	82 50	4 40	6 00		1 82	60		122 82	500	27 00	4 40	6 80	5 00	2 04	68
Hebron	110 46	3 97	4 39	1 46	1 22	82		122 32	800	8 80	9 90	12 60	6 00	3 78	1 26
Howard Chapel	50 00	3 00	5 12	1 00	1 00	68		60 80	700	9 82	6 60	7 50	3 00	2 25	75
Ingram	89 95	8 80	8 29	5 00	1 92	64	11 00	134 62	1200	9 00	8 80	7 10	5 00	2 13	71
Kallum Grove									500		4 40	4 50	5 00	1 35	45
Lebanon	125 00	11 00	5 00	2 47	4 00	1 24		148 71	2000	4 49	11 00	12 40	5 00	3 72	1 24
Lexington	47 40							47 40		15 48	1 10	3 80	4 00	1 14	38
Long's Chapel	125 00	11 03	21 00			1 14		158 17	1000	7 00	16 50	11 20	5 00	3 36	1 12
Mt Bethel	75 00	3 21	1 79	2 36	1 23	41		84 00	800	6 00	5 00	4 50	4 00	1 35	45
Mt Zion	50 00	4 05	5 32	2 00	1 68	56		63 61	1000		4 40	3 80	2 00	1 14	38
Pleasant Grove	176 09	20 00	15 00	9 00	4 39	1 75	41 76	287 99	2500	17 94	27 50	22 40	15	6 72	2 24
Pleasant Ridge	25 55	3 34	2 00					30 89	500	4 30	4 40	5 50	4 00	1 65	55
Salem Chapel	96 90	10 00	6 00	3 00	2 06	1 25	10 00	129 21	600	6 00	8 80	13 20	5 00	3 96	1 32
Sage Garden	30 70	2 75						33 45	500	20 00	4 40	3 20	2 00	96	32
Shallow Ford	75 00	6 60	8 13	5 00	4 02	1 34		100 20	1200	25 00	6 60	7 20	5 00	2 16	72
South Boston									31		1 00	1 20	1 00	36	12
Union (N C)	200 00	25 00	26 30	12 00	7 89	2 63	15 00	288 82	500	6 11	25 00	25 90	12	7 77	2 59
Union (Va)	125 00	1 00	1 00			1 00	326 00	454 00	1200		11 00	16 90	5 00	5 07	1 69

SRATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches	Pastors	Secretaries and Postoffices	No. Last Report	Received Since	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Expelled	Present Number	S.S. Superintendents	Secretaries and their Postoffices	No Schools*	Classes	Officers & Teachers	Pupils	No. in S. School	Vols. in Library
Apple Chapel	J W Holt	Z Chrisman, Liberty Store	216	2	1		2		217	Alfred Apple							
Bethlehem	C C Peel	L D Rippey, Altamahaw	363	12	6	4	5	9	351	H C Simpson	Clem Horton, Altamahaw	1	8	13	110	123	
Bethel	T W Strowd	L H Walker, Anderson	60	6			2		64	A Y Miles	L H Walker, Anderson	1	4	6	38	48	
Belew's Creek	W D Harward	V O Robers'n, Belew Creek	28	4		3			29	J W Freeman	A W Preston, Belews Creek	1	7	11	62	73	50
Concord	T W Strowd	J H Jacks'n, Cherry Grove	50				1		49	J W Murray	I B Saunders Milesville	1	3	6	28	34	
Durham	J W Wellons	J W Lashley, Durham	77	17		5	2	1	86	A J Faucett	J W Pool, Durham	3	10	18	140	158	65
Elon College	J O Atkinson	G W Tickle, Elon College	60		3	1			56	C E Newman	W D McClen'y, Elon College	1	8	14	100	114	
Goshen Chapel	S B Klapp	Miss Sallie N. Gill, Berea	32	3			1		34	R I Slaughter	W M Slaughter, Berea	1	3	5	30	35	18
Hine's Chapel	J W Holt	W A Heath, Greensboro	209	12			5		217	Robt Smith	M Walker, Browns Summit	1	4	5	30	35	
Haw River	C C Peel	H V Simpson, Haw River	26	10			3		33								
Happy Home	J W Holt	J W Foster, Oregon	60	10	2				68	W D Wall	A Foster, Nance	1	5	6	103	112	50
Hebron	J W Patton	J W Winfree, Virginia, Va	113	19	2	2	1	1	126	P A Rice	A C Yancy, Siddons, Va	2	7	11	92	108	
Howard' Chapel	T B Dawson	W B Madison, Wentworth	68	10			3		75	E S Wright	E Baker, Wentworth	1	3	9	30	40	52
Ingram	P T Klapp	Wellons Boyd, Stebbine, Va	64	8			1		71	R H Adams	Wellons Boyd, Stebbins, Va	1	5	7	30	37	24
Kallum Grove	Unsupplied	F Wilson, Bason	47			1	1		45								
Lebanon	J W Holt	Miss D Covington, Semora	110	19	3		2		124	A D Flowers	J O Wells, Semora	1	8	13	50	72	
Lexington	J W Parker	Walter Koonce, Lexington	38						38	Lee Tiuge	Walter Koonce, Lexing on	1	5	8	67	80	
Long's Chapel	P T Klapp	W J Fitch, McCray	100	20	7	1			112	H C King	Maggie Allen, Haw River	1	4	6	52	62	
Mt Bethel	J W Patton	D I Cummings, Bason	41	4					45	J W Knight	T A Callum, Simps'ns Store	1	4	5	55	6	
Mt Zion	W D Harward	Mrs Mary Bradley, Carr	56	2		19	1		38								
Pleasant Grove	W C Wicker	H T H'dsp'th, News Ferry	227	6	2	6	1		224	D S Farmer	C D S Farmer, News Ferry	1	7	10	55	65	
Pleasant Ridge	J W Pinnix	J H Barder, Summerfield	51	4					55	S S Higgins	Miss Mattie Knight, Holt	1	3	5	30	35	70
Salem Chapel	W D Harward	I D Dalton Salem Chapel	117	18	1		2		132	Mrs S Marshall	Miss Annie Reid, Fulp	1	5	8	65	79	
Sage Garden	J W Parker	J A Holder, Kernersville	30	3	1				32	W H Manuel	R T Joyce, Kernersville	1	4	7	62	69	
Shallow Ford	P T Klapp	W D Walker, Burlington	135	7	3	51	2	6	72	L T Barber	G D Cobb, Elon College	1	6	7	60	75	
Union (N C)	C C Peel	J D Wilkins, Union Ridge	263	4	4	1	3		259	W A McCauley	G R Graham, McCray	1	4	6	39	49	
Union (Va)	S B Klapp	W H Averett, Hyco, Va	146	29			3	3	169	W H Ashby	A W Averett, Hyco, Va	1	2	7	45	50	100
South Boston	W C Wicker	J A Reese, South Boston, V		12													
Big Falls	P T Klapp	J C McAdams, Big Falls		47					47	J C McAdams	Lizzie Mitchell, Big Falls	1	7	10	84	94	

* Schools reported as not using our own literature: Belews Creek, Pleasant Ridge, Sage Garden and Big Falls.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

THIRD ANNUAL SESSION

—OF THE—

Eastern N. C. Christian Conference,

HELD AT PLYMOUTH, WAKE COUNTY, N. C.

WAKE COUNTY, N. C., Nov. 27, 1896.

The President, Hon. J. H. Fleming, called the Eastern N. C. Christian Conference to order at 10:45 a. m. The roll of Elders and churches was called with the following response: Elders.—Clements, W. G., Foster, J. L., Harward, W. D., Jones, J. A., Mangum, L. W., Underwood, G. R., Wicker, J. D., Wicker, W. C., Winston, M. L.

Churches.—Auburn: J. E. Langston, A. M. Pollard; Antioch:——; Amelia:——; Beulah: J. B. Edwards, E. M. Hunt; Bethany:——; Catawba Springs: T. M. Franks, J. E. Franks; Christian Chapel: L. S. Mann, G. J. Bowling; Christian Light: A. S. Arnold, A. R. Truelove; Damascus: Vance Daniel; Ebenezer: J. H. Fleming; Good Hope: A. L. Lynam, J. D. Pleasants; Hayes Chapel: W. L. Moring, M. A. Smith; Liberty: O. W. Ayscue, Irvin M. Green; Mt. Auburn: T. J. Haskin; Mt. Carmel: G. H. Wilson, G. W. May; Mt. Hermon: A. C. Penny, G. G. Banks; Martha's Chapel: W. A. Morgan; Moore Union:——; Morrisville: J. H. Moring, E. M. Ellis; Mt. Gilead: W. B. Hunter, O. O. Hight; New Elam: J. A. Goodwin, D. A. Mann; New Hill: J. R. Gardner, O. M. Mims; New Hope: J. M. King John Edwards; O'Kelley's Chapel: C. S. Holleman, J. W. Atkins; Oak Level: E. B. Williams, T. L. Williams; Pleasant Union: A. M. Long; Pleasant Hill: Benjamin Mathews; Pleasant Grove:——; Pope's Chapel: A. L. Allen, A. M. House; Plymouth: J. L. Banks, Moses

Stancil; Piney Plain: C. A. Smith, Henry Franklin; Raleigh: D. J. Mood, J. A. Mills: Spilona:——; Six Forks: J. J. Penny; Shallow Well: J. D. Gunter, J. W. Kelly; Turner's Chapel: J. T. R. Wicker; Wake Chapel: L. H. Smith, J. M. Powell, K. B. Johnson; Walnut Grove: M. L. Winston; Youngsville: W. T. Young.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. W. G. Clements, reading 27th Psalm, and prayer. Conference then went into organization, and elected the following officers: For President, Hon. P. H. Fleming; Assistant Secretary, Rev. W. D. Harward.

Deacon J. Milton Banks in behalf of the church, extended to Conference a most hearty welcome; and was very appropriately responded to by the President.

Petitions from Six Forks Christian church, Wake county, and Mt. Gilead Christian church, were presented and application made for membership in this Conference. The petitions granted and delegates enrolled.

Revs. J. W. Wellons and W. T. Herndon, Fraternal messengers from the N. C. and Va. Christian Conference, were invited to seats as deliberative members and each, upon taking his seat, responded in appropriate remarks. Prof. E. L. Moffitt, editor of the Christian Sun bore the Fraternal Greetings of the Western N. C. Conference, and took his seat as a deliberative member of this body.

By motion, Bros. C. H. Rowland, J. W. Fuquay and A. P. Barbee were invited to seats as deliberative members.

Time having arrived, the President proceeded to deliver the annual address on, "Why the Christian church exists, how it came into existence, and the necessity for its existence."

By motion, a vote of thanks was tendered Bro. Fleming for his very able address, and requested to furnish copy for publication.

Conference adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order.

By motion, the Chair appointed the following Committee on Finance: J. H. Morning, T. J. Haskins, C. S. Holleman.

The Secretary presented an account of $2.78 for postage, church blanks, etc. The account referred to the Committee on Finance.

By motion the report was considered by items, and then adopted as a whole. A special committee was appointed to consider the charge against Christian Chapel made by Rev. W. C. Wicker: Rev. W. D. Harward, J. A. Mills and A. L. Allen. Reading of church letters.

Election of Fraternal messengers.—To the Valley Va. Conference: Rev. W. G. Clements; Eastern Va., Conference: Rev. J. L. Foster; N. C. and Va. Conference: Revs. W. C. Wicker and M. L. Winston; Western, N. C. Conference: Hon J. H. Fleming, Deacon J. A. Mills

THE REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The business of the Executive Committee during the year has been as follows:

1st. We wrote to Bro. J. A. Massey for his credentials in accordance with a recommendation of the Educational Committee at the last session of this Conference. As we heard nothing from him, we recommend this report shall have the effect to cancel his license as a probationer in the Christian church, and the Secretary instructed to write to him informing him of the action of this Conference in his case, and also demanding his license.

2nd, Bro. C. C. Williams wrote us for a certificate of transfer to join some other denomination. we wrote him that we could not grant his request, as he was only a probationer; and therefore not a member of Conference; but he could return his license to the Secretary of Conference, and his local church could give him a letter of transfer as a private member. He has complied with our request.

3rd. we ordered the Treasurer of Conference, J. E, Ballentine, to lend Bro. C, H. Rowland $50.00 from the Educational fund to enable him to continue his studies at Elon College, the same having been recommended by the Educational Committee.

4th. we have prepared the certificate of membership for Elders made members of this Conference by reason of the division of the N. C. & Va. Conference as follows:

This is to certify that Rev.....was ordained an Elder in the N. C. & Va., Christian Conference at....on....day of....18..and by reason of the division of said Conference became a member of the Eastern. N. C. Christian Conference at its formation May, 1896.

.....Sec. .....President.

5th. Rev, w. C. wicker preferred a charge against the church at Christian Chapel for non payment of salary for the year 1895. we have made an effort to have the matter adjusted privately, but have failed. we now recommend the appointment of a special committee to investigate this matter and report to the body Nov. 30 at 10 a. m. with recommendations.

W. G. CLEMENTS,
M. L. WINSTON,
J. D. WICKER.

and Rev. J. L. Foster; Ga. and Ala. Conference: Rev. J. D. Wicker and J. D. Gunter.

By motion, Rev. W. D. Harward was elected to preach the annual sermon, and Rev. J. L. Foster as alternate.

Reports of Fraternal Messengers called.

On motion 30 minutes was granted Dr. Herndon in behalf of the Christian Missionary Association, immediately after report on Religious Literature Saturday.

Prayer by Rev. J. D. Wicker. Conference adjourned till 9:30 a. m. Saturday.

SECOND DAY, SATURDAY.

President Fleming in the chair at 9:30 a. m. and Conference called to order; prayer by Rev. M. L. Winston. Roll called; reading and correcting the minutes.

The following Committee on Devotional Exercises was appointed: Rev. G. R. Underwood, Deacons J. Winborne, J. M. Banks and J. L. Banks.

The following resolution was adopted:

That the E. N. C. Christian Conference seat all their licensed ministers as members of this Conference as they were precious to 1894.

T. M. FRANKS.

By motion, the chair appointed the following Committee on Assessment. Revs. W. G. Clements, G. R. Underwood and J. D. Wicker.

The following resolution was offered and voted down:

RESOLVED, That this Conference authorize the President and Secretary to make a deed to a certain piece of land sold off the lot at Hayes' Chapel for school purposes.

The minutes of this session were ordered printed in the Annual.

J. H. Moring and J. D. Gunter were appointed a committee to collect funds for Annuals.

Banner Churches.

Auburn.
Damascus.
Beulah.
Ebenezer.
Liberty.
Morrisville.
New Hope.
Oak Level.
Plymouth.
Pleasant Union.
Pope's Chapel.
Piny Plains.
Raleigh.
Turner's Chapel.
Wake Chapel.

To be a Banner church is to pay all conference assessments.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

"Reading maketh a full man." This is true in every sense of thought. The church should supply the membership with such a line of literature as would develop the the Christian life. we recognize that the church has produced literature that in a large measure supplies this demand, both in books and periodicals.

we feel the need of a broader line of Christian Literature. And think that the establishment of a Publishing House would greatly aid in supplying this deficiency.

we therefore recommend that this Conference endorse the action of the Christian Convention, relative to the Publishing House.

we heartily endorse the Christian Sun and urge our people to give it a more liberal support.

we recommend that our people study more carefully the Principles and Government of the Christian church, and that our ministers preach at least one sermon, or give an address each year on the Doctrine and Government of the church. And that our people adhere strictly to the Government of the church in their deliberative meetings.

we recommend the following books: Five Gardinal Principles of the Christian church," Christians not Disciples," "Facing the Truth," "Christian Hymnary," and also the following periodicals: The Herald of Gospel Liberty and the christian Missionary, from the Christian Publishing House, Dayton, O.

JAS. L. FOSTER,

W. D. HARWARD.

The report after discussion was unanimously adopted.

Rev. W. T. Herndon, Mission Secretary of the Christian Missionary Association was given 40 minutes in which to present the claims of said Association. Conference adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order. Two church letters read.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

We your Committee appointed to investigate the charges preferred by Rev. W. C. wicker against christian Chapel church, beg leave to make the following report.

we have examined the witnesses from both sides and from the evidence, we recommend that the church at christian Chapel pay Bro. W. C. Wicker ten dollars of the nineteen claimed to be due. This we think an equitable settlement.

JNO. A. MILLS,

W. D. HARWARD,

A. L. ALLEN.

The report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We are glad to note that nearly all of our churches have live Sunday schools. Reports to the last Suuday School convention, however, show eighteen churches without schools.

we earnestly urge that steps be taken immediately to organize schools in all our churches

we urge upon all our schools to use our own literature publishedat Dayton, Ohio.

we recommend the Sunday School Times a first-class commentary on the lessons.

Promptness on the part of officers and teachers is necessary to secure a good school.

we call the attention of schools to the importance of the Sunday School convention.

we urge that at least one Sunday in each year be set apart for the study the Principles of the christian church.

G. R. UNDERWOOD,
A. P. BARBEE,
D. J. MOOD.
Committee.

The report adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

we have nothing of special importance to report at this session.

Our missionaries are succeeding finelly, considering the number engaged in the work and the amount of money invested.

The following are the statistics of the mission of the Christian church in Japan for the year ending October 4, 1896.

Number of missionaries ordained, 4; number of missionaries unordained, 1; number of native preachers ordained, 2; number of preachers unordained, 3; number of native helpers, 8; number of principal stations, 2; number of out stations, 4; number of churches organized, 4; number of church members—men 152, women 110—total, 262; added last year, 31; number of Sunday schools, 9; number of scholars in Sunday schools, 356; one Theological with pupils, 6; three day schools with pupils, 80; money collected by native christians, $115.28.

we recommond the following:

1st. That where a church has no Missionary society, one be organized.

2nd. That this conference raise the amount asked for by the General convention.

3rd. That our people purchase and read more missionary literature.

4th. That some one be appointed during the sitting of this body to preach a sermon on Foreign Missions at its next session after which a collection be taken for same.

G. R. UNDERWOOD,
W. D. HARWARD.

The report after discussion was adopted.

The Committee on Religious Exercises reported the following for preaching on Sunday: In the church, 11 a. m., Rev. W. C. Wicker; in the church, 2 p. m. Rev. J. W. Wellons; in the school house, 11 a. m., Rev. W. G. Clements; in the school house, 2 p. m. Rev. W. T. Herndon.

Ministerial reports handed in and read.

On motion, Mt. Auburn was selected as the place for holding the next session of this body.

On motion Conference adjourned till 9:30 a. m. Monday. Prayer by Rev. W. C. Wicker.

THIRD DAY, NOV. 30.

Conference called to order by the Secretary 10 a. m. and in the absence of the President, Rev. M. L. Winston

was called to the chair. Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harward.

By motion, Conference heard the written excuse of a number of churches for the unpaid assessments for 1896, and excused; while the following were referred to the Executive Committee for investigation: Antioch, Christian Light, Good Hope, Martha's Chapel, Mt. Carmel, Moore Union, O'Kelly's Chapel, Pleasant Hill, New Hill, Spilona, Shallow Well.

RESOLVED, That delinquent churches having made no excuse be referred to the Executive committee for investigation.

In the absence of delegates from Raleigh church, Deacon A. Moring was enrolled President Fleming arrived and took the chair.

The following resolution after debate was adopted:

RESOLVED, That when this body adjourns it adourn to meet on Thursday before the first Sunday in December 1897.

J. D. GUNTER.

On motion, Rev. W. G. Clements was elected to deliver a sermon on Foreign Missions at the next session of this body.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

we your committee on Finance beg leave to make a partial report. That we have examined the account of the Secretary and find it correct, and recommend the payment of the same—$2.78.

we also recommend that ten dollars be paid the Secretary for his services, said amount to be paid from the Conference Fund.

J. H. MORING,
T. J. HASKINS.

The report adopted.

The the absence of delegates from Piney Plain Bro. T. H. Prince was enrolled; also Bro. H. Overby was enrolled a member of Conference from Plymouth.

The Committee on Moral Reform made their report which was recommitted.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS

MINISTERS	Churches	No. Sermons	No. Lectures	Prayer Meet'gs	Conversions	Members Rec'd	Baptisms	Pastoral Visits	Funer'l Serm'ns	Marriages	Sundays Idle	Amount of Salary	Col. for C. Sun
A P Barbee	4	110	10	25	72	28		200	18			140 00	$4
J W Fuquay	3	110		20	10	13			1		1	100 00	
J L Foster	1	108		39	5	7	4	552	4	11		412 31	9
W D Harward	5	110			30	40	13		3			266 00	
W G Clements	5	110	20	50	75	32	34	125	4	1		275 00	9
J A Jones	2				38	27			5	5	2	185 00	
L W Mangum	4	103	4	14	28	22	14		6	16		106 00	7
C H Rowland	1	25										60 00	
G R Underwood	4	129	12	20	70	46	31	115	6	4		375 00	
J D Wicker	7	172	7	5	66	63	14		8			427 40	
W C Wicker	3	95	30	50	40	25	16	150	4	1		505 00	30
M L Winston	1											65 00	
J A Whiteman	1	65			5	2		10	1	2	3	45 00	

EDUCATIONAL REPORT.

The present methods of thought and investigation have clearly demonstrated the importance of the highest type of miud culture. This has increased the educational interest in the various institutions of learning until today the student body of the world is much larger than ever before.

In this onward movement along educational ines, we recognize that Christian institutions are doing efficient work in educating both the mental and spiritual man, and are keeping fully abreast with the times in all useful learning.

Among these institutions, we, as a people, look to Elon college with grateful hearts for the good already done, and send forth our prayers and best efforts for her increased prosperity.

we recommend that, so far as practical, young men looking forward to the ministry pursue a course at Elon College and that those for whom it is impractical, pursue the course of study as prescribed by the Government of the church

Bro. C. H. Rowland is pursuing a course at Elon college and we recommend that he be loaned $25.00 from the Educational Fund to help him defray his expenses.

Bro. A. P. Barbee has been pursuing a course at Jonesboro High School during a part of the year, and we commend him for his diligence.

Bro. J. w. Fuquay has been pursuing a course of study at home, and we commend him for his progress.

Bro. L. F. Johnson has been admitted to the Biblical class. He comes well recommended by wake chapel church. He is pursuing a course at Elon College and we recommend that $35.00 be loaned him to help him defray his expenses.

W. G. CLEMENTS,
JAS. L. FOSTER,
W. C. WICKER.

After discussion the report was adopted. Conference adjourned 45 minutes for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION, 3RD DAY.

President Fleming in the chair.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

1. Since last conference we have very little in the home mission field except to organize one new church. We find an inviting field in the eastern part of our territory for home missionary work. We favor putting a home missionary in the field as soon as possible to devote half of his time at least to home missionary work.

2. We appropriated $150 last year to the Raleigh Christian church. We think the church is steadily growing in strength both financially and numerically. We recommend the appropriation of $135 to supplement the pastor's salary at this church for the ensuing year. We recommend that Rev. C. H. Rowland serve the Youngsville Christian church and Good Hope as pastor for the ensuing year.

3. We appropriated $25 to Antioch church last year and they have asked for $25 for the ensuing year, but we are unable to grant their request owing to the scarcity of funds.

4. We recommend that Walnut Grove and Mt. Carmel endeavor to secure the services of some minister whose time is not filled for next year.

We recommend $25 to supplement Bro. Clements' salary at Six Forks.

5. We recommend an appropriation of $25 to supplement the pastor's salary at Mt. Gilead

We recommend $10 to supplement the pastor's salary at Youngsville

We recommend that an effort be made in the churches to impress the importance of the home missionary work.

6. We recommend that this conference pay its annual fee of $10 to the Christian Missionary Association, which meets at Norfolk Christian Memorial Temple Dec. 1st, 1896.

7. We recommend that the delegates of churches that are in arrears on the home mission assessment of last conference make a special effort to collect the balance and send to the Treasurer of conference before the publication of the Annuals.

8. We recommend that the amount appropriated at Raleigh be drawn quarterly, and that the other appropiations to churches—except Six Forks, to be drawn at once—be drawn semi annually.

J. D. WICKER,
J. H. MORING.
Committee.

After discussion the report was adopted by items and finally as a whole.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We have examined the Treasurer's report and find it correct.

J. H. MORING,
T. J. HASKINS.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

J. E. Ballentine, Treasurer,
in account with
The Eastern N. C. Christian Conference.

		Cr.	Dr.
1895	HOME MISSIONS		
Nov 29	To balance on hand,		$ 2 11
Nov 30	To collections at conference,		185 25
1896			
Nov 26	To collections since conference,		18 15
Nov 26	By coms 1½ per cent.,	$ 3 05	
1895			
Dec 9	By order of J. L. Foster, number 19,	37 50	
Dec 2	By order of M. L. Winston, number 15,	12 50	
1896			
April 9	By order of J. L. Foster, number 23,	37 50	
Jun 15	By order of M. L. Winston, number 25,	12 50	
Jun 18	By order of J. L. Foster, number 26,	37 50	
Sept 2	By order of J. L. Foster, number 27,	37 50	
Nov 26	By com. on six orders,	2 62	
Nov 26	Balance on hand,	24 84	
		$205 57	$205 57
1895	FOREIGN MISSIONS		
Nov 29	To balance on hand,		$ 03
Nov 30	To collections at conference,		106 06
1896			
Nov 26	To collections since conference,		7 00
Nov 26	By coms.,	$ 1 69	
Feb 5	By order of J. A. Mills, number 21,	109 67	
Feb 5	By coms.,	1 64	
Nov 26	Balance on hand,	09	
		$113 09	$113 09
1895	EDUCATIONAL FUND		
Nov 29	To balance on hand,		$ 9 99
Nov 30	To collections at conference,		57 01
Nov 30	By coms.,	$ 85	
1896			
Jan 20	By order of J. L. Foster, number 20,	4 25	
Mar 2[illegible]	By order of C. H. Rowland, number 22,	50 00	
Nov 26	By coms on two orders,	81	
Nov 26	Balance on hand,	11 09	
		$67 00	$67 00
Nov. 26	Amount of notes on hand		$204.25
1895	CONFERENCE FUND		
Nov 29	To balance on hand,		$ 13
Nov 30	To collections at conference,		23 53
1896			
Nov 26	To collections since conference,		95
Nov 26	By coms.,	$ 37	
1895			
Dec 2	By order of J D. Wicker, number 16,	2 00	
Dec 2	By order of J. L. Foster, number 17,	4 88	
Dec 2	By order of J. L. Foster, number 18,	10 00	
1896			
Apr 11	By order of Emmett L. Mófflitt, number 24	2 50	
Nov 26	By coms. on four orders,	29	
Nov 26	Balance on hand,	4 37	
		$24 61	$24 61

J. E. BALLENTINE,
Treasurer.

The report adopted.

Jno. A. Mills was elected delegate to the Christian Missionary Association for Dec. 1896 to Dec. 1897.

The supply of Antioch church was referred to the Committee on Home Missions.

An account of Rev. J. D. Wicker, $1.20 for expense, attending meeting of the Executive Committee, was allowed.

RESOLVED, That whereas the railroads of this country are running their trains on the Sabbath as regularly as on other days of the week, thereby violating one of the commandments of God, that this body in conference assembled do enter its protest against the traveling of the ministers and delegates of this body on said railroads on the Sabbath day as a matter of convenience.

T. J. HASKINS.

Committee on Annuals beg leave to report that we have secured subscriptions for 297, leaving a balance of 103.

President announced the Standing Committees as follows:

Executive: Revs. W. G. Clements, J. D. Wicker and M. L. Winston.

Education: Revs. W. C. Wicker, J. L. Foster and W. G. Clements.

Home Missions: Rev. J. D. Wicker, T. J. Haskins and Rev. W. D. Harward.

Foreign Missions: Revs. G. R. Underwood, J. A. Jones, and Jno. A. Mills.

Religious Literature: Revs. W. D. Harward, J. L. Foster, and J. D. Gunter.

Sunday Schools: T. J. Haskins, D. J. Mood and J. H. Morning.

Moral Reform: Prof. H. Scholz, I. W. Pritchard and L. W. Mangum.

By motion, the Secretary was instructed to insert the assessment for Publishing House in the report on assessments.

RESOLVED, That this conference tender a vote of thanks to this church and community for their unbounded hospitality.

On motion, Rev. W. G. Clements and A. Morning were appointed to examine today's proceedings before publication.

On motion, Conference adjourned to meet on Thursday before the first Sunday in December, 1897, with Mt.

Auburn church, Warren, Co., N. C. Prayer and benediction by Rev. J. W. Wellons.

J. H. FLEMING, Pres., Raleigh, N. C.,
JAS. L. FOSTER, Sec., Raleigh, N. C.,
W. D. HARWARD, Asst. Sec., Chapel Hill, N. C.

ASSESSMENTS

CHURCHES	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Educational	Superannuated	Conference Fund	Publishing House	Total Amount
Antioch	4 00	1 50	1 50	50	50	7 10	15 10
Auburn	8 00	4 00	4 00	50	50	5 10	22 10
Amelia							
Beulah	5 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	50	7 40	17 90
Bethany	3 00	1 50	1 50	50	50	6 40	13 40
Catawba Spring	15 00	5 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	10 30	35 30
Christ'n Chapel	8 00	5 00	4 00	1 00	1 00	18 30	37 30
Christian Light	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	50	2 50	8 50
Damascus	15 00	7 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	11 00	40 00
Ebenezer	6 00	2 00	1 00	50	1 00	7 60	18 10
Good Hope	4 00	2 00	2 00	50	80	5 20	14 50
Hayes Chapel	7 00	3 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	12 20	26 20
Liberty	12 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	1 00	17 80	42 80
Mt Auburn	20 00	8 00	8 00	2 00	2 00	15 90	55 90
Mt Carmel	3 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	25	2 90	9 15
Mt Hermon	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	50	4 60	10 60
Martha's Chapel	6 00	3 00	2 00	50	75	3 70	15 95
Moore Union	4 00	3 00	2 00	50	50	7 30	17 30
Morrisville	5 00	3 00	3 00	50	40	4 50	16 40
Mt Gilead	50	25	25	20	20	1 70	3 10
New Elam	10 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	19 30	41 30
New Hope	4 00	2 00	2 00	50	70	8 70	17 90
New Hill	1 00	50	50	50	40	3 10	6 00
O'Kellys Chap'l	10 00	5 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	9 90	28 90
Oak Level	10 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	1 30	11 60	34 90
Pleasant Union	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	60	6 30	12 40
Pleasant Hill	4 00	1 00	1 00	50	50	8 40	15 80
Pleasant Grove	1 00	50	50	50	15		2 65
Popes Chapel	10 00	3 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	10 30	28 30
Plymouth	5 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	75	7 04	17 75
Piney Plains	2 00	1 00	1 00	50	30	5 70	9 50
Raleigh	12 00	4 00	3 00	1 00	75	7 10	27 85
Spilona	3 00	50	50	50	50	2 00	7 00
Shallow Well	10 00	5 00	3 00	1 20	1 20	14 40	34 80
Six Forks	50	25	25	20	20	1 20	2 60
Turners Chapel	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	50	5 70	11 70
Wake Chapel	16 00	6 06	5 00	1 00	2 00	20 20	50 20
Walnut Grove	4 00	3 00	1 00	50	50	2 60	11 90
Youngsville	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	50	3 60	9 60

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches	Pastors	Secretaries and Postoffices	No. Last Report	Received Since	Dismissed	Suspended	Withdrawn	Died	Expelled	Present Number	Paid Pastor	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Educational	Conference	Superannuated	Other Purposes	Total	Value of Church Property	S S Superintendents and Postoffices	No. in S. School	Vols. in Library	Raised by S. School
Auburn	J O Atkinson	W Watts, Auburn	53			5				51	75 00	8 00	4 00	4 00	50	50		92 00	700	N A Branch, Auburn	31		10 00
Antioch	M L Winston	Mrs N J Harris, Elams	60	14			1	2		71	40 00	5 00		1 50	50			47 00	500	J F Floyd, Elams	50		3 00
Amelia	J E Austin																						
Beulah	J D Wicker	J B Edwards, RilyXRoads	71	8	1		1		3	74	50 86	5 00	2 00	2 00	50	1 00		61 36	600	J T Hagwood, Rolesville	55		2 00
Bethany		Levi Carden, University								64									400				
Christ'n Chapel	G R Underwood	L S Mann, Corinth	175	18	7			2	1	183	75 00	2 00	1 25					78 25	1000	L S Mann, Corinth	65	30	1 53
Catawba Spring	J A Jones	T M Franks, Raleigh	116	3	9		3	3	1	103	100 00	5 00	5 00		1 00	1 00	90 75	203 25	700	G M McCullers, Raleigh	54	40	5 00
Damascus	W C Wicker	M A McCauley, Lindsay	107	8	4			1		110	150 00	15 00	7 00	5 00	1 00	1 00		179 00	2500	A S Arnold, May			
Christian Light	L W Mangum	John Brown, May	27					2		25	18 00	1 00	50		50			20 00	500	I W Pritchard, Chap'l Hill	49	25	10 00
Ebenezer	W G Clements	J N Carpenter, Flint	87	2	1		3	3	6	76	50 00	6 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	50	4 20	64 70	200	J S King, Flint	31	10	
Good Hope	J D Wicker	A L Lyman, Pernell	54					1	1	52	50 00	1 88			52			52 88	300				
Hayes Chapel	W G Clements	L M Barbee, Garner	122	10	3		5	2		122	75 00	7 00	2 50		1 00	69		86 19	500	W L Moring, Garner	54		8 00
Liberty	J D Wicker	B R Eaves, Epsome	181	7	2	2		3	3	178	102 50	12 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	2 00		127 50	1000	H R Hayle, Epsome	56		9 24
Mt Hermon	J W Fuquay	W I Beasely, Auburn	53	1		3	4		1	46	50 00	3 00	1 00					54 00	400				
Martha's Chapel	C H Rowland	W A Ellington, Elm Grove	40				2	1		37	50 00							50 00	700	H Mulholand, Wil.'msMill	26	25	9 00
Moore Union	J W Fuquay	N A Matthews, Grotto	62	12				1		73	32 00	1 00	2 31		50			35 81	300	W M Avent, Lonely			
Mt Carmel	M L Hurley	W J Wilson, Wilton	28	1						29	28 00	2 65						30 65	450	J W Mitchell, Franklinton	48	60	2 00
Morrisville	W D Harward	J H Moring, Morrisville	45							45	60 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	40	50	10 00	81 90	300	J H Moring, Morrisville	29	50	12 00
Mt Gilead	J D Wicker	M B Hunter, Malton		17						17		1 00			17			1 17					
Mt Auburn	J W Patton	S P Read Palmer Sp'gs, V	163	2	1		3	2		159	150 00		8 00	8 00	2 00	2 00	550 00	720 00	1000	T J Haskins, Newmans	71	99	2 01
New Elam	J A Jones	J A Goodwin, Merry Oaks	176	25	4		2	2		193	75 00	8 00	4 68				20 00	108 68	800	D A Mann, Merry Oak	73		9 00
New Hope	J D Wicker	N A Rogers, RilyXRoads	64	25	1		1			87	50 00	4 00	2 00	2 00	70	50		59 20	300	J M King, Riley's x Roads	112	99	10 00
Oak Level	J D Wicker	A C Wicker, Franklinton	113	6	1		1	1		116	125 00	12 00	5 00	5 00	1 30	2 00		150 30	1000	— Spence, B'l'ntines Mill	67	1	
O'Kellys Chapel	W C Wicker	C S Holleman Durham	102		2			1		99	100 00	8 95	7 00	70	1 00	1 00		118 65	700	J G Williams Youngsville	85		7 50
Plymouth	G R Underwood	J V Rhodes, Kadar	75	1	1			2	3	70	75 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	75	1 00	115 50	202 00	600	C S Holleman, Durham	66		
Pleasant Hill	L W Mangum	U L Mangum, Benson	83	10	1		1	1	2	88	20 00	1 00	50		50	50	75	23 25	500	D D Bank, Banks	69		9 86
Pleasant Union	L W Mangum	W J Long, Bouis Creek	56	8	1					63	40 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	60	50		46 10	400				
Pleasant Grove New Hill	J A Jones	D H Gardner, New Hill		13			2	4		31		1 15	30	60	20		26 00	28 25	500				
Popes Chapel	M L Hurley	A L Jones, Franklinton	103	1				1		103	125 00	10 00	3 00	3 00	1 00	1 00		143 00	1500				
Piney Plain	W G Clements	T H Prince, Massey	43	7			1	2		47	40 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	30	50	60 00	104 80	400	R S Franklin, Massey	68		5
Raleigh	J L Foster	D J Mood, Raleigh	67	7	1		1	1		71	262 31	12 00	4 00	3 00	75	1 00	122 10	405 16	7000	D J Mood, Raleigh	123	74	145 00
Spilona	L W Mangum	R I Lassiter, Spilona	28			7		1		20	25 00	1 50	50	25	50	25		28 00	500				
Shallow Well	J W Patton	J D Gunter, Jonesboro	129	18	1		1	1		144	100 00	2 66	5 00	1 40	1 11	1 21	20 00	131 38	800	J W Kelley, Jonesboro	46		4 06
Six Forks	W G Clements	Alma J Penny, Six Forks								12							100 00	100 00	200				02
Turners Chapel	A P Barbee	A W Wicker, Colon	50	7						58	50 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	50		50 00	700	J G Burt, Colon,	56	10	5 00
Walnut Grove	J D Wicker	A T Crissom, Grissom	27	5	2			1		29	50 00	1 28	96	64	16	16		53 20	300				
Wake Chapel	W G Clements	J E Ballentine, Varina	207				1	2	2	202	111 75	16 00	6 00	5 00	2 00	1 00	50 00	191 75	600	L H Smith, Varina	38		8 02
Youngsville	C H Rowland	T L Moss, Youngsville	36							36	25 00	3 00	1 00		50			29 50	1000	J C Winston, Youngsville	50	12	10 35

The following Sunday School do not use our own literature: Piney Plains, Mt. Auburn and Liberty.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

—OF THE—

Christian Missionary Association.

HELD AT NORFOLK, VA.

December 1-3, 1896.

The Christian Missionary Association met in special session in the Norfolk Memorial Temple, Dec. 1st, 1896, and was called to order by the President, Rev. N. G. Newman at 8 o'clock p. m.

After devotional exercises, the roll was called and a fair per cent of the membership responded.

Fifteen new members were enrolled.

An address of welcome was delivered by Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., and responded to by Rev. J. O. Atkinson.

Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., addressed the Association on the subject—The evangelization of the world.

Adjourned.

SECOND DAY.

Called to order by the President, devotional exercises by Rev. J. W. Harrell.

The President submitted his report, which was referred to a special committee with instructions to report on each item.

REPORT OF PRESIDENT.

I would recommend--1st. That the Association consider some means of securing a more stable membership.

2nd. That the Association in the absence of any constitutional provision give the Treasurer definite instruction as to the conditions of disbursements of funds; also as to their custody.

3rd. That the Association fix the date and length of each annual session.

4th. That the present session consider the propriety of instituting some practical work at an early date.

N. G. NEWMAN, Pres.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Two items have claimed our attention, the securing of a Missionary Secretary and the subject—Consecration an Essential to Success in Mission Work.

Rev. J. P. Barrett addressed the Association on the subject—The trumpet call of the hour.

Committee on fields submitted its report, and after considerable discussion was adopted.

The committee submitted for consideration, desirable, and available field in middle and western N. C. and the Virginia Valley.

Missionary Secretary presented a bill of $30.00 for expenses, which was ordered to be paid.

Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Address by Rev. J. W. Harrel, subject—Consecration an Essential to Success in Mission Work.

Address by Rev. W, T. Herndon, subject—The Present outlook for mission work in the Southern Christian Convention.

Adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

Address by Rev. W. W. Staley, subject—The irresistable forces in Christianity.

Address by Rev. J. O. Atkinson, subject—Why our ministers should support the Missionary Association.

THIRD DAY.

Called to order by the President, prayer by Rev. W. T. Herndon.

Windsor was selected as the place for holding next annual session.

Committee on mission literature submitted its report, and after considerable discussion was adopted, and Rev. J. P. Barrett was elected to fill the column in the Sun provided for in fourth item of the report.

REPORT ON MISSIONARY LITERAURE.

We recommend, 1st. That the numbers of the Association increase our mission literature by writing books, tracts, and contributions to the Sun.

2nd. That we endeavor to discriminste books and peeriodicals that we already have.

3rd. That the Association provide for the publication of pamphlets ordered by the Association in Burlington last June.

4th. That we ask for a column in the Sun to be filled with mission literature each week by some one elected for that purpose at each annual session.

Prof. E. L. Moffitt was elected to write pamphlet referred to in third item of the above report.

The Mission Secretary submitted his report, showing that he had collected $2.27.00. Report was adopted.

The President announced the following Standing Committees:

Missionary Literature: E. L. Moffitt, W. J. Laine, J. W. Harrell.

On Programme: N. G. Newman. P. H. Fleming, S. A. Holleman.

On Mission Fields: J. P. Barrett, W. T. Herndon, J. O. Atkinson.

Treasurer submitted his report, showing $935.18 now in hand. The report was adopted.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The committee to whom was referred the report of the President submitted its report, and on motion was taken up by items, and after discussion was adopted:

We submit the following as the result of our deliberations:

1st. That all members be expected to pay their annual fees, until they ask for withdrawals from the Association.

2nd. That all money be paid out by the Treasurer upon the order of the Association or the Executive Committee.

3rd. That the Association meet in annual session on Tuesday evening after the first Sunday in December, and adjourn Thursday afternoon.

4th. (a) That we provide at this session to place a missionary in the field

(b) That the said missionary be paid a yearly salary of six hundred dollars, that he devote his entire time to the field work, and that he report his work to the Executive Committee monthly.

(c) We suggest two names before the Association from which to make a selection: Revs. P. T. Klapp and w. T. Herndon.

(d) That the field for immediate work be selected from territory presented by field committee as No. 4, or the Valley of Va., by the missionary, and with the consent of the Executive Committee. (No. 4, of field committee report—The section of country lying in N. C. & Va. included in a line running from Danville, Va. to Martinsville, Va., and across to Wilkesboro, N. C. and thence to Winston, N. C., and thence to Danville, Va.)

Rev. W. T. Herndon was elected Missionary.

W. T. Herndon resigned as Missionary Secretary, and R. A. Hyslop was elected to succeed him.

On motion, the minutes of this session were ordered to be published in the Annual at the same rate as Conference proceedings.

On motion, the Treasurer was instructed to pay the Missionary his salary at the beginning of each month in advance, commencing when he enters upon his work.

The expense of a missionary while investigating fields, was ordered to be paid by the Association.

The President presented a bill of $2.69 which was allowed,

Enthusiastic and encouraging addresses were here delivered by several members of the Association, and the following pledged themselves to be responsible for five new memberships each at the next annual meeting of the Association: E. L. Moffitt, W. T. Herndon, J. W. Harrell, J. P. Barrett, J. O. Atkinson, W. W. Staley.

On motion, the Association adjourned with prayer by Dr. Staley, to meet with the church at Windsor, on Tuespay evening after the first Sunday in Dec. 1897.

N. G. NEWMAN, Pres., W. J. LAINE, Sec.,

GA. AND ALA. CONFERENCE.

Smith, Jubilee, Richland, Ga; Neese, J L, Buckeye, Ala; Hurst, G M, Redapple, Ala; Elder, J D, Milltown, Ala; Elder, T H, Milltown, Ala; Hughes, J H, Milltown, Ala; Dollar, C M, Rock Mills, Ala: Knight, W R, Peavy Ala; Elder, J W, Opelika, Ala; Elder, H W, Phœnix City, Ala; Orr, J B, Mt. Calm, Tex; Hurst, G D, Zana, Ala; Malone, C G, Malone, Ala; Fletcher, W D, Jirard Ala; Horn, D G, Jirard, Ala.

LICENTIATES.

EASTERN VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

Demorest, R D H, Box Elder; Jones, J H, Holland.

WESTERN N. C. CONFERENCE.

Baldwin, M A, Franklinsville; Hayes, W N. Erect; Hammer, M E, Tillman; Kerns, B F, Moffitts: Stinson, D R, Asheboro; Julian, W R, Millboro; Cox, L I, Elon College.

EASTERN N. C. CONFERENCE.

Barbee, A P, Jonesboro; Fuquay, J W, Varina; Rowland, C H, Elon College.

N. C. AND VA. CONFERENCE.

Fonville, J W, Big Falls, N C; Carden, J S Elon College, N C; Hines, H L, Atlanta, Ga; Barnes, J W, Omaha, Texas; Rogers, W A, Weimar, Tex.

GA. AND ALA. CONFERENCE.

Davis, W D, Daviston, Ala; Hurst W G, Redapple, Ala; Swann, C W, Buckeye, Ala; Vichers, J M, Emuchfau, Ala.

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ELDERS.

EASTERN VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

Barrett, J P, Norfolk; Barrett, J W, Windsor Station; Butler, H H, Suffolk; Butler, M W, Berkley; Charnock, Roger, Franklin, Ohio; Harrell, J W, Waverly, Va.; Hurley, M L, Elon College, N C; Holland, R H, Holland; Kitchen, Jno T, Windsor, Long, W S, Norfolk; Laine, W J, Suffolk, Va; Moore, H C, Charlottesville; Newman, N G, Suffolk; Staley, W W, Suffolk.

N. C. AND VA. CONFERENCE.

Apple, Solomon, Semora, N C; Atkinson, J O, Elon College, N C; Dawson, T B, Elon College, N C; Fulton, H C, White Roads, N C; Herndon, W T, Elon College, N C; Holt, J W, Burlington, N C; Isely, A F, Shallow Ford, N C; Klapp, P T, Elon College, N C; Klapp, S B Virginina, Va; Pinnix, J W, Kernersville, N C; Strowd, T W, Union Ridge, N C; Wellons, J W, Durham; Ford, W H, Asheville, N C.

WESTERN N. C. CONFERENCE.

Albright, H A, Moffitts; Boon, C A, Elon College; Comer, J R, Spencer; Cooper, A J, Staley; Fleming, P H, Burlington; Hatch, J W, Pittsboro; Jarrell, E H, Randleman; Lawrence, J S, Erect; Lawence, W W, Erect; Moffitt, H T, Moffitts; Newman, J U, Elon College; Patton, J W, Liberty; Parker, J W, Randleman; Peel, C C, Haw River; Scott, J A, Linville, Va; Way, S H, Fork Creek; Way, P T, Moffitt; Webster, J A, Franklinsville.

EASTERN N. C. CONFERENCE.

Clements, W G, Morrisville; Foster, J L, Raleigh; Harward, W D, Chapel Hill; Jones, J A, Ballentine's Mills; Mangum, L W, Benson; Underwood, G R, Osgood; Wicker, J D, Youngsville; Winston, M L, Creedmore; Wicker, W C, Elon College; Whiteman, J A, Jonesboro.

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THE SEASONS.

Spring commences March 20, 9.00 a.m.
Summer commences June 21, 5.00 a. m.
Autumn commences September 22, 7.00 p. m.
Winter commences December 21, 2.00 a. m.

ECLIPSES.

In the year 1898 there will be six Eclipses, three of the Sun, and three of the Moon:

I. A Partial Eclipse of the Moon June 7, visible at Washington.

II. A Total Eclipse of the Sun January 22, invisible at Washington.

III. A Partial Eclipse of the Moon, July 3, invisible at Washington.

IV. An Annular Eclipse of the Sun, July 18, invisible at Washington.

V. A Partial Eclipse of the Sun, December 13, invisible at Washington.

VI. A Total Eclipse of the Moon, December 27, visible at Washington.

MOON'S PHASES.

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January.							
Full Moon	7	7	10 p. m.	New Moon	22	2	10 a. m.
Last Quarter	15	10	30 a. m.	First Quarter	29	9	19 a. m.
February.							
Full Moon	6	1	10 p. m.	New Moon	20	2	26 p. m.
Last Quarter	13	7	21 p. m.	First Quarter	28	5	59 a. m.
March.							
Full Moon	8	4	15 a. m.	New Moon	22	3	23 a. m.
Last Quarter	15	2	34 a. m.	First Quarter	30	2	26 a. m.
April.							
Full Moon	6	4	5 p. m.	New Moon	20	5	7 p. m.
Last Quarter	13	9	14 a. m.	First Quarter	28	8	50 p. m.
May.							
Full Moon	6	1	20 a. m.	New Moon	20	7	44 a. m.
Last Quarter	12	4	22 p. m.	First Quarter	28	0	0 m.
June.							
Full Moon	4	8	57 a. m.	New Moon	18	11	5 p. m.
Last Quarter	11	0	50 a. m.	First Quarter	26	11	40 p. m.
July.							
Full Moon	3	3	58 p. m.	New Moon	18	2	33 p. m.
Last Quarter	10	11	29 a. m.	First Quarter	26	8	26 a. m.
August.							
Full Moon	1	11	15 p. m.	New Moon	17	5	20 a. m.
Last Quarter	0	0	59 a. m.	First Quarter	24	3	18 p. m.
				Full Moon	31	7	37 a. m.
September.							
Last Quarter	7	5	37 p. m.	First Quarter	22	9	25 p. m.
New Moon	15	6	56 p. m.	Full Moon	29	5	56 p. m.
October.							
Last Quarter	7	0	50 p. m.	First Quarter	22	3	55 a. m.
New Moon	15	7	23 a. m.	Full Moon	29	7	4 a. m.
November.							
Last Quarter	6	9	14 a. m.	First Quarter	20	11	51 a. m.
New Moon	13	7	6 p. m.	Full Moon	27	11	25 p. m.
December.							
Last Quarter	6	4	51 a. m.	First Quarter	19	10	7 p. m.
New Moon	13	6	29 a. m.	Full Moon	27	6	25 p. m.

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THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

From the meeting of the first General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, held in Baltimore, November 1, 1792, the Christian Church dates its origin. During the sitting of that body, Rev. James O'Kelly, a presiding elder and one of the strongest and most influential Methodists of his time, introduced a resolution providing that when a minister was not satisfied with the circuit to which his Bishop had appointed him, he could appeal to Conference, and if his appeal were sustained, the Bishop should give him another appointment. After a long and heated debate the resolution was lost. The next day O'Kelly and about thirty other ministers sent in their resignations and withdrew from Conference. Next year they met at Manokin Town, N. C., and organized a body taking the name of "Republican Methodists," not intending to cut themselves entirely loose from the Methodist church. They soon found, however, that such a course was impracticable; and in 1794 they again met in Conference at old Lebanon church, Surry county, Va., and there at the suggestion of Rev. Rice Haggard, they decided henceforth to wear only the name "Christian," to take the Bible itself as their only creed, and to allow each church to govern itself.

A little later, in the year 1801, Rev. Abner Jones and a few faithful followers in New England left the Baptist church; while still later, in 1803, Rev. Barton W. Stone and others in the West, renounced the faith of the Presbyterian church. The causes of both these separations were similar to those that actuated O'Kelly in the South a few years earlier; and they, too, adopted the name "Christian," took the Bible as their only creed and recognized the independence of each individual church. It is a singular and suggestive fact that no one of these three bodies knew of the similar action of the other bodies until some years afterwards. Finally, when communication between the three sections became easier, they soon saw their oneness of purpose, and quickly united their forces in a common cause.

The simultaneous revolt against the three great American churches, though for a time seemingly unimportant, was in harmony with the spirit of the age—a natural outgrowth of the times. It was the idea of independence rising above the social and reaching into the religious life of the world. Others were content with freedom from political tyranny; the Christians went a step further and demanded freedom from ecclesiastical and dogmatical tyranny.

Their progress was, at first, necessarily slow, as is the case with all reformatory movements. Other denominations were already established, and hence had the power, wealth and influence of the country at their command This gave our small, unorganized, ill-equipped band of faithful soldiers whole armies of well-organized and equipped hosts to meet in the battle for religious liberty. But, notwithstanding this rather unpromising beginning, we have struggled on in our efforts for what we believe to be right and for the good of humanity. We have had our share of opposition, neglect and derision, the darts of the enemy have been many and poisoned; but "we have striven to take unto ourselves the whole armour of God, that we may be able to withstand in the evil day, having our loins girt about with truth, having on the breastplate of righteousness, and our feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; above all taking the shield of faith, wherewith we shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked, and taking the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the spirit, which is the word of God," we have pressed forward with an unfaltering trust in Him who guides the destinies of all peoples, and success is crowning our efforts.

INTERESTING NOTES.

Rev. James O'Kelly was born in 1734, and died in 1826.

The Christian Church, South, has 105 ministers and 160 churches.

All colleges under the control of the Christian Church are co-educational.

The Christian Sun was established by Rev. D. W. Kerr, at Hillsboro, N. C., in 1844.

Abner Jones organized the first Christian church in New England, at Linden, Vt., in the year 1801.

"Our Declaration of Principles, Form of Government and Directory for worship," was written in 1866.

At this time, Revs. J. W. Hatch, Sol. Apple, Jubilee Smith, R. H. Holland and J. W. Wellons are our oldest living ministers.

The General Convention of the Christian Cburch, South, which meets biennially, will meet with the church at Raleigh, N. C., in May, 1898.

The Christian Church in the United States has about 130,000 members, of which number the South has about 25,000—16,000 white and 9,000 colored.

Rev., P. T. Klapp, of Elon College, N. C., is the "father" of the foreign mission movement in the Christian Church, and Rora Womack, of Chatham county, N. C., was the first contributor to the cause. He gave thirty cents—all he had with him at the time he became impresed with the movement.

Our foreign missionaries are Prof. Woodworth and wife, Miss Penrod, and Rev. and Mrs. Earl C. Fry.

Christian Memorial Temple, Norfolk, Va., was dedicated in May, 1894. It was erected and named in honor of the reunion of the Christians, North and South.

Elon College was opened in the fall of 1890, and since that time has graduated 28 young men and 11 young ladies. It has a good attendance this year.

The first Christian Church organized in the South was O'Kelly's Chapel, in Chatham county, N. C. It was organized in 1794, and named in honor of Rev. James O'Kelly.

In 1854 the Christians, North and South, were divided on account of the slavery question; but in 1890 became reunited, being the first of all the denominations to unite after the war.

We have in the United States 86 Conferences—83 white and 3 colored; 1,550 ministers; 2,075 churches, valued at about $2,250,000; 10 colleges, besides a number of lower grade institutions; and 10 periodicals.

The "Herald of Gospel Liberty," organ of the American Christian Convention, is the oldest religious newspaper published in America, having been started by Dr. Elias Smith, at Portsmouth, N. H., in 1808.

The North Carolina and Virginia and the Deep River Conferences united and divided into three in the year 1894. These three are now known as the North Carolina and Virginia, the Western North Carolina, and the Eastern North Carolina.

A Centennial Number of "The Christian Sun" was published by Hurley & Moffitt in December, 1894, commemorative of the one hundredth anniversary of the Christian Church. It was an issue of 10,000 copies, 16 pages each, containing matter historical and expository.

The first Christian church in the West was organized in 1804, at Springfield, Ky., by Revs. Burton W. Stone, David Purviance and Richard McNewar.

The Eastern Virginia Conference was orgnized in 1818, at Holy Neck, Va.

The North Carolina and Virginia Conference was organized in 1825.

The Deep River Conference (now Western North Carolina) was organized in 1864.

The Georgia and Alabama Conference was organized in 1854.

The Virginia Valley Conference was organized in 1868.

The Southern Christian Association was organized at Good Hope, in Granville county, N. C., in 1847.

The Southern Christian General Convention was organized at Union, Alamance county, N. C., in 1856.

The General Convention of the Christian Church, South, was organized at Mt. Auburn, Warren county, N. C., in 1866.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Virginia Valley Christian Conference,

HELD AT

Bethlehem Church, Rockingham County, Va.

Bethlehem, Rockingham County, Va.,
September 2, 1897.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Virginia Valley Christian Conference met at the above named place to-day, and was called to order by Rev. R. H. Peel, President of the last session. Rev. P. H. Fleming, of the Western North Carolina Conference, conducted religious exercises.

The roll was called and the following members responded:

Ministers.—Rev. R. H. Peel.
Churches.—T. H. Showalter and C. H. Swank.
Bethlehem.—J. S. Martz and D. C. Strickler.
Concord.—Samuel Holsinger and Miss Samantha A. White.
Linville.—C. D. Maphis and C. E. Conard.
New Hope.—Samuel Earman and Holmes Liskey.

Rev. R. H. Peel was elected President for the ensuing year, and Rev. C. H. Swank, Vice-President. Brother J. S. Martz was elected Assistant Secretary.

Reports of fraternal messengers being called for, Rev. P. H. Fleming of the Western North Carolina Conference, and Rev. S. L. Baugher of the Central Virginia Conference, responded.

On motion, the following brethren were invited to seats as deliberative members: Rev. P. H. Fleming of the Western North Carolina Conference, Rev. W. T. Herndon of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference; Revs. E. T. Iseley, S. L. Baugher, K. Roach, brothers G. W. Rothgeb and Thomas Decker, of the Central Virginia Conference, and brother D. R. Liskey.

Business of the Conference was suspended for the delivery of the Annual Address by Rev. P. H. Fleming.

The President resumed the chair and Conference adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President. Prayer by Prof. E. L. Moffitt.

On motion, Rev. G. B. Tradelsy, of the U. B. Church, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

Brothers J. S. Martz and D. C. Strickler, and Mrs. Jennie Harrison and Lummie Pickering, were appointed a Committee on Entertainment.

Brothers T. H. Showalter and D. C. Strickler were appointed a Committee to arrange a schedule.

On motion, brothers J. S. Martz, D. C. Strickler and Rev. R. H. Peel were appointed a Committee on Religious Exercises.

On motion, an invitation was given for the reception of new churches into Conference.

Rev. C. H. Swank presented the name of Mt. Grove, a new church organized near Pen Laird, with eighteen members. The church was accepted and the delegates enrolled.

Dr. Herndon stated that he has two organizations to present to-morrow.

Church letters were called for and letters from New Hope and Bethlehem were read.

The following were elected as fraternal messengers to sister Conferences: To the Eastern Virginia Conference, Revs. R. H. Peel and C. H. Swank; to the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, brother D. J. Sipe and Rev. B. F. Black; to the Western North Carolina Con-

ference, Revs. D. T. Deems and B. F. Black; to the Eastern North Carolina Conference, J. S. Martz and D. J. Sipe; to the Georgia and Alabama Conference, Rev. R. H. Peel and brother T. H. Showalter; to the Central Virginia Conference, Revs. C. H. Swank and R. H. Peel, and brothers J. S. Martz, D. C. Strickler, Samuel Holsinger, J. S. Kagey and L. S. Rhodes.

On motion, the chair appointed a Committee to make nominations for delegates to represent this Conference in the General Convention, to meet at Raleigh, N. C., in May, 1898. Brothers D. C. Strickler, T. H. Showalter and J. S. Martz were appointed.

Brother D. C. Strickler was elected to deliver the next annual address before this body, with Dr. W. T. Herndon to act as his alternate.

The following schedule was adopted: Meet at 9.30 a. m.; adjourn for religious exercises and dinner at 11.30 a. m.; meet at 1.30 p.m.; adjourn at will.

Vacancies in standing committees were filled, as follows:

Religious Literature.—Samuel Earman.

Moral Reform.—Samuel Holsinger.

Report of Executive Committee was read and adopted, as follows:

Your Committee had one meeting during the interim of this Conference.

The business done was to apportion the pastor's salary among the four churches, making a total of $450, and fixing of the necessary per cent. on the amount of State and county tax paid the past year, which was duly made known to the several churches, and settling with Treasurer according to order of Conference.

We also granted license to Bro. B. F. Black, to be given under the supervision of the Educational Committee of the Western North Carolina Conference.

R. H. PEEL,
J. S. MARTZ,
C. H. SWANK.

The Committee on Religious Exercises gave the following announcements: Preaching, Friday 11.30, by Rev. P. H. Fleming; Friday, 8 p. m., preaching by Rev. E. T. Iseley; Saturday, 11.30 a. m., address by Prof. E. L. Moffitt—"The mission basket and what is in it"; Saturday, 8 p. m., preaching by Rev. S. L. Baugher; Sunday, 11 a. m., preaching by Rev. A. B. Powers.

Conference adjourned.

SECOND DAY.

September 3.

Conference was called to order by the President. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. E. T. Iseley.

The roll was called and the miutes of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

A ministerial report from Rev. D. T. Deans was read.

The report of the Committee on Sunday Schools was read and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We, your Committee on Sunday Schools, report the following:

Among the many auxiliaries to the church we regard the Sunday School as the greatest in teaching Gospel truth. We have schools in all the churches of this Conference, and most of them run nine months of the year. The work is full of hope, as has been manifested through our Sunday School Convention, and we believe demands our greatest attention and support.

We regard the Sunday School as the place for the religious training of the old as well as the young. Its social, moral and spiritual influences are unmeasured. It furnishes just the food necessary for the young when inquisitive and intellectual faculties are at the highest pitch, and offer a beautiful field of usefulness to the adult, and keeps them in touch with expanding life.

Therefore, we recommend the adoption of the following resolutions: 1. That we as a denomination, use our own literature, published at Dayton, Ohio.

2. Much discretion should be exercised in the selection of superintendent and teachers.

3. We urge an earnest effort on the part of our pastors, superintendents and parents in behalf of getting the children into the Sabbath School.

4. That the officers and teachers be punctual in their attendance, and that the presiding officer be prompt in opening the exercises at the appointed time.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. MARTZ,
D. C. STRICKLER,
T. H. SHOWALTER.

On motion, brother J. M. Bradford was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

Rev. W. T. Herndon presented charters of the following organizations for membership in this Conference: Woodland church, located near Weyer's Cave, in Augusta county, and Wood's Chapel, near Quicksburg, in Shenandoah county. The churches were accepted and their delegates enrolled.

On motion, Conference adjourned for preaching and dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order. Prayer by Rev. A. B. Powers.

Letters from Antioch and Linville churches were read.

On motion, Dr. W. T. Herndon was given thirty minutes to speak in behalf of the Christian Missionary Association. One individual membership was taken, and brother Samuel Earman made himself responsible for a half membership by the Missionary Society of New Hope church. A public collection was taken, and four dollars and one cent collected for the Association. The Educational Committee submitted the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT OF EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE.

We realize the need of higher education among our people. Ignorance hinders advancement and truest usefulness. Education means progress. God has placed us in the world surrounded by truths that will aid us in true service to Him. Education of the head and heart means power for good. This, and this alone, is true education. We feel thankful that we are living at a time when this knowledge may be obtained by all who are willing to seek it. Schools and colleges are opening their doors and inviting the young people of our land to come in and feed the mind on those truths that will give them a truer knowledge of God.

1. We recommend to the public and to our own people Elon College. Its course of instruction compares favorably with any college in the South, and its morals are unsurpassed. It aims to send out true and Godly men and women.

2. We recommend that the churches comprising this Conference be asked for twenty-five cents per member for educational purposes.

3. We recommend to our people a closer study of the principles of the Christian Church and a more earnest effort to spread the knowledge of the same. Bro. Black is now in school at Elon College and is doing good work. Since the last sitting of this body he was granted license by the Executive Committee under the supervision of the Educational Committee of the North Carolina Conference, and is now serving as pastor of a church.

4. We recommend that interest on all money borrowed by the Conference be paid out of the educational fund.

R. H. PEEL,
D. C. STRICKLER,
T. H. SHOWALTER.

The Committee on Foreign Missions offered the following report, which, after an interesting discussion, was adopted:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We, your Committeee on Foreign Missions, beg leave to report that, though discouragements have come and progress sometimes seems slow, there is still much to encourage us to put forth a greater effort than ever before to bring the heathen to Christ. The Lord is blessing the work in Japan, and so far as we have been able to learn, our missionaries have been faithful to their charge. The growth of the work there necessarily increases expense and responsibily on our part, and so there is ever an increasing demand for our liberal and united support of the work there. We must not let it go back.

Let us do our whole duty in this grand cause. This is a critical time, and we cannot afford to withhold our aid from this work which our church has, in a manner, only begun.

We believe that a feeling of brotherhood of the entire human family is fast becoming more universal, and that all Christian people are recognizing more fully their duty in sending the Gospel of Christ to our less fortunate brother. This is a duty that will remain ours as long as there remains any who have not heard of "Jesus and His love."

How often we pray, "Thy kingdom come, and so let us as a church and as individuals, put a united and renewed effort to do our part in helping establish His kingdom in the hearts of men.

Not only has Japan a claim upon us, but there are many dark places of the earth waiting for the light. "The world is the field," and let us hasten the day when every nation of the earth shall "crown Him, Lord of all."

Realizing the need and importance of carrying forward this work we recommend:

1. That each of the churches in this Conference raise the following amounts for foreign missions next year: Antioch, $12; Bethlehem, $10; Woodland, $2; Wood's Chapel, $2; Mount Grove, $2; Linville, $7; Concord, $4; New Hope, $5.

2. That all who can possibly do so to take the "Christian Missionary," published by Rev. J. G. Bishop, Dayton, Ohio.

3. That each church in this Conference set apart one Sabbath in the year as "Missionary Day," on which there shall be a public service, consisting of a missionary sermon, songs and special prayer for those in foreign fields, and an arousing of interest in our own hearts for the heathen.

4. That each Sunday School give a missionary exercise sometime during the year; that the program be prepared by a committee of two, appointed by the Superintendent of each school, and that those on the program consist chiefly of the younger members of the school.

The churches have raised the following this year: Antioch, $13; Bethlehem, $3.61; Linville, $2.20; Concord, $1.45; New Hope, $8.34.

FLORENCE V. NEFF,
MARY PICKERING,
SAMANTHA A. WHITE.

The Committee on Home Missions submitted their report. Pending discussion of said report, Conference adjourned, to meet to-morrow at 9.30 a. m.

THIRD DAY.

September 4.

Conference was called to order by the President, and prayer offered by Rev. K. Roach.

The roll was called and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

The discussion of the Home Mission report was taken up, after which the report was returned to the Committee for revision.

The chair appointed Standing Committees for the ensuing year as follows:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Executive Committee—J. S. Martz, C. H. Swank, W. H. Sipe, J. C. Huffman, Samuel Erman.

Sunday Schools—J. S. Martz, D. C. Strickler, T. H. Showalter

Home Missions—T H. Showalter, W. H. Sipe, Miss Samantha White, J. S. Kagey.

Foreign Missions—Florence V. Neff, Emma R. S. Rhodes, Samantha White, Mary Pickering.

Moral Reform—C. H. Swank, Samuel Erman, Casper Huffman.

Religious Literature—D. C. Strickler, J. S. Kager, Samantha White.

Education—D. C. Strickler, T. H. Showalter, W. H. Sipe.

The Committee on nominations reported Rev. R. H. Peel and J. S. Kagey in nomination for delegates in the General Convention, to meet at Raleigh, N. C., in May, 1898.

The above-named were elected delegates, with Rev. C. H. Swank and J. S. Martz, alternates.

The Committee on Moral Reform offered the following report, which, after an interesting discussion, was adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

This subject is so vast in scope that it would be impossible to embrace the various topics that should be treated on in this report.

We name below a few only that the church is under obligations and duty bound to observe.

1. To abstain from the use as a beverage all intoxicating drinks. That buying or selling or handling it in any way is a discredit to the individual and a disgrace to the church of God.

2. The desecration of the Sabbath day by the industrial world is a sin; therefore, all such should be laid aside, keeping the Sabbath day holy.

3. We disapprove any games of chance, gambling, betting, card playing, and such like.

4. Not to engage in racial evils, or evil speaking, or false accusation, gossip, dancing, tournament riding, etc.

5. That we not only bear the name Christian, but our every-day life so accord with Divine teaching that the world may know we are Christians.

(Signed) C. H. SWANK,
SAMUEL HOLSINGER.

Conference adjourned for the delivery of an address by Prof. E. L. Moffitt; subject, "The mission basket and what is in it." After the address, a collection was taken for the benefit of the Christian Missionary Association. Result of collection, $4.29.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order and prayer offered by the President.

The Committee on Home Missions offered their revised report, which was adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your Committeee on Home Missions submit the following:

Amount of collection for the year, ending September 1st 1897: Antioch, $10.95; Linville, $8.94; Bethlehem, $3.16; Concord, $1.95; New Hope, $8.34. Total, $33.34.

We hope that the liberal giving of New Hope, a young church in this Conference, will be an incentive to urge the other churches to give more along this line.

1. We recommend that each church be assessed the following amounts: Antioch, $20; Bethlehem, $15; Linville, $12; Concord, $5; New Hope, $10; Woodland, $6; Mountain Grove, $3.50; Wood's Chapel, $3.50.

2. We would recommend that the pastor of the several churches devise or suggest plans which will be the best for raising this money.

We also recommend that we pay Bro. C. H. Swank forty-five dollars out of home mission fund, for his mission work for the last year.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. SHOWALTER,
SAMANTHA A. WHITE,
J. S. KAGEY.

The report of the Committee on Religious Literature was read and adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

As an author is known by his writings, so we may say a church is known by her literature. It is believed by many that there is a Southern literature springing into life that is destined to rival the New England literature. It remains, then, for us to say whether the Christian church shall lag behind in this great movement, or whether it shall march boldly to the front, and by the means of its pure and unbiased principles, create such a benign atmosphere throughout this beautiful Southland that will be far more congenial to a great literature than were the Puritanic or the Calvinistic principles to the great Northern literature.

We have some good literature. Let us begin this great work by reading and assimilating what we have thoroughly, and also giving it our full support in the diffusing to strangers. In this way, brethren, we may create a demand—a demand once made, then our literature shall be forthcoming.

Therefore, seeing some of the needs, we, your committee, recommend:

1. That we, as a body, put forth greater effort to supply our homes with those books which proclaim our principles, and in all the blessed truths found in that Book of all Books, in which we take our stand as a church.

2. That our ministers in their annual report to Conference be required to report the number of renewals and subscribers to the "Christian Sun" they have received or helped to receive during each year. We regret to announce that the foregoing recommendation has not been heeded.

3. That this Conference ratify the action of the general convention in regard to the establishing of a Publishing House; and we also urge the churches of this Conference to raise the amount asked for, which is ten cents per member. This is a step in the right direction, and should receive the hearty support of all.

4. That all our Sunday Schools use the literature published by our Publishing House at Dayton, Ohio.

5. That we encourage, by our sympathetic support, all efforts to increase the volume of our religious literature along all lines of church belief and church work.

6. Tha each minister preach one sermon during the year on the principles of the Christian Church.

D. C. STRICKLER,
J. S. KAGEY.

The Treasurer offered the following report, which was adopted:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

1896. HOME MISSIONS.

Sept. 2.	To cash, notes and collections on hand	$190 69	
Dec. 16.	By face value notes turned over to the Executive Committee		$130 34
	By cash paid Rev. E. T. Isley		60 00
	By amount to balance		35
			$190 69
	To amount on hand	$ 0 35	

1896.	FOREIGN MISSIONS.		
Sept. 2.	To cash collection at Conference	$ 26 03	
	By cash paid Rev. R. H. Peal		$ 26 03
	CONTINGENT FUND.		
Sept. 3.	To collections at Conference	$ 13 83	
	By cash paid J. S. Kager		$ 5 50
	E. L. Moffitt		8 33
			$ 13 83
	EDUCATIONAL FUND.		
Sept. 3.	To cash received at Conference	$ 24 00	
	By amount paid J. S. Martz		$ 4 50
	Rev. R. H. Peal for B. T. Black		18 00
	W. H. Sipe		1 50
			$ 24 00

COLLECTIONS.

1897.	*Home Missions.*	
Sept. 3.	Antioch, $10.95; Bethlehem, $3.41; Linville, $8.94; Concord, $1.95; New Hope, $8.34	$ 33 59
	Foreign Missions.	
	Antioch, $13; Bethlehem, $3.61; Linville, $2.45; Concord, $1.45; New Hope, $8.34	28 85
	Contingent Fund.	
	Antioch, $6.07; Bethlehem, $5; Linville, 75c.; Concord, $1.61; New Hope, ____; on hand, 52c	13 95
	Educational Fund.	
	Antioch, $11.35; Bethlehem, $7.75; Linville, $1.30; Concord, 25c.; New Hope, ____; ____	20 65
	Total	$ 97 04

PUBLISHING-HOUSE FUND.

Antioch	$ 4 55
Bethlehem	2 00
Linville	1 80
Total	$ 8 35

C. D. MAPHIS.

On motion of brother J. S. Martz, Conference ordered the Secretary to have the minutes of this session published in the "Christian Annual," and to pay fifteen dollars therefor.

There being a deficit of six dollars and five cents in the treasury of Contingent Fund, an assessment in proportion to membership was ordered to be on the churches, to meet the contingent expenses of Conference.

On motion, it was agreed to send a fraternal messenger to the West Virginia Christian Conference, and Rev. R. H. Peel was elected.

The following motions were offered and passed:

It is moved

1. That an appropriation of $75 of the Home Mission funds be made, to be equally apportioned among the three new churches—Mt. Grove, Woodland and Wood's Chapel—for preaching services.

2. That the Executive Committee have oversight of these churches in seeing that they have regular preaching, and that said Committee aid in any way necessary for the promotion and building up these churches.

3. That in case of any of these churches failing to secure a pastor, the amount appropriated for that church be kept in the treasury.

On motion, the Treasurer was ordered to pay the Secretary five dollars for his services.

On motion, the Treasurer was ordered to pay, from the Educational Fund, the interest due on money borrowed from brothers J. S. Martz and W. H. Sipe, for brother B. F. Black's benefit.

It was moved and carried that the Secretary of this Conference be instructed to draw an order in favor of the President of the Conference, on the Treasurer, for the amount of Foreign Mission funds now in hand, and that he forward this amount to John A. Mills, Raleigh, N. C., Treasurer of the Southern Christian Convention.

Conference adjourned to meet at Concord on Thursday before the first Sunday in September, 1898, at 10 a. m.

R. H. PEEL, President,
Amberly, Va.

J. S. KAGEY, Secretary, Sky, Va.

MINISTERIAL REPORT OF C. H. SWANK.

Conference Missionary for the Conference year, ending September 1, 1897.

Points in charge, 2—namely Mountain Grove and Baptist Church; Sunday Schools organized, 1; sermons preached, 28; number of prayer-meetings held, not known; revivals held, 1; number of confessions, 22; organizations effected, 1 (with a membership of 18); mission calls, 55; miles traveled, 508; amount of salary paid, $45.

MINISTERIAL REPORT OF REV. R. H. PEEL.

Ministerial Report of Rev. R. H. Peel, for the Conference year beginning September 1st, 1896, and ending September 1st, 1897:

Churches in charge: Antioch, Bethlehem, Concord and Linville. Number of times preached, 115; prayer-meetings, about 20; addresses, about 15; funerals, 5; marriages, none; pastoral visits, about 250; conversions, about 25; amount salary received, $338.84.

MINISTERIAL REPORT OF REV. D. T. DEANES.

To the Virginia Valley Christian Conference—Greeting:

Dear Brethren in Conference Assembled:—Another year, freighted with the joys and sorrows incident to this life is now being rapidly numbered with the past. In humble thanks to a benign Providence, we send you another annual greeting.

In all probability, my work for the church is done, yet I cherish her noble principles, in advocacy for which I gave thirty years of my life. I can only pray that God will raise up young men worthy to carry forward the work of our beloved church in your beautiful Valley, to a glorious consummation in all that glorifies God and blesses man.

My throat trouble is gradually increasing, and the environments of three score and ten years are around me. Therefore, dear brethren, receive an old man's blessing on your labors for God's glory and man's good.

Fraternally yours, D. T. DEANES.

Ronda, N. C., August 23, 1897.

ASSESSMENTS.

Churches.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Conference Fund.	Publishing House.	Total Amount.
Antioch	$20 00	$12 00	$25 00	$15 00	$ 0 00	$82 00
Bethlehem	15 00	10 00	17 25	10 35	6 90	54 50
Concord	5 00	4 00	7 50	4 50	3 00	24 00
Linville	12 00	7 00	14 25	8 55	5 70	47 50
Mountain Grove	3 50	2 00	4 50	2 70	1 80	14 50
New Hope	10 00	5 00	12 00	7 20	4 80	39 00
Woods' Chapel	3 50	2 00	5 25	3 15	2 10	16 00
Woodland	6 00	2 00	5 50	3 30	2 20	19 00

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Pastors.	Secretaries and Post Offices.	Number Reported Last Session.	Received Since.	Dismissed.	Withdrawn.	Died.	Expelled.	Present Membership.	Paid Pastor.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Conference Fund.	Other Purposes.	Total.	Value of Church Property.	Sunday School Superintendents and Post Offices.	No. in Sunday School.	Raised by Sunday School.
Antioch	R. H. Peel	T. H. Showalter Chrisman, Va.	104	3	1	3	3	--	100	$141 95	$10 95	$13 00	$11 60	$6 07	$	$182 57	$2,000	T. H Showalter Chrisman, Va. J. W. Tate, Amberly, Va	60	$12 75
Bethlehem	R. H. Peel	A. B. Martz Mauzy, Va.	75	--	3	2	--	1	69	89 47		3 41				92 88	1,000	J. C. Bradford Tenth Legion, Va	8	20 56
Concord	R. H. Peel	J. C. Huffman Hupp, Va.	32	--	1	1	--	--	30	40 00	1 95	1 45		1 61		45 01	500	J. M. Huffman Hupp, Va.	--	5 52
Linville	R. H. Peel	C. E. Beery Linville.	60	2	2	2	--	--	57	69 65	8 94	2 20	1 30			82 09	1,000	D. P. Rosenberger Linville, Va.	70	3 16
Mountain Grove	C. H. Swank	W. S. Cline Montevideo, Va.	--	--	--	--	--	--	18										--	
New Hope	E. T. Iseley	Walter Liskey Harrisonburg, Va.	37	11	--	--	--	--	48	50 00	8 34	8 34			625 00	736 37	1,000	Samuel Earman Keizletown, Va.	78	12 69
Woodland	W. T. Herndon		--	--	--	--	--	--	22										--	
Wood's Chapel	W. T. Herndon		--	--	--	--	--	--	21										--	

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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

FIFTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Georgia & Alabama Christian Conference,

HELD AT

Antioch Church, Chambers County, Ala.

Antioch Church, October 21, 1897.

Introductory sermon preached by Rev. Geo. D. Hunt.

The organization of the Conference was deferred until 1.30 p. m. The house was called to order by Rev. J. W. Elder, President of last session.

Ministers present: Jubilee Smith, J. D. Elder, T. H. Elder, C. M. Dollar, W. R. Knight, M. F. Lett, J. W. Elder, H. W. Elder, G. D. Hunt, T. J. Edmonson and C. W. Swann. Licentiates: Robert Leslie.

CHURCHES AND DELEGATES.

Antioch.—R. M. Brown, W. H. Abbott, J. H. Burgess and J. W. Payne.

Providence Chapel.—E. A. Able.

New Harmony.—D. E. Knight, S. Martin and S. D. Michel.

Mt. Zion.—G. M. Brown, T. S. Keeble, A. J. Carden and W. J. Osborn.

Macedonia.—J. W. Elder, Sr.

Bethany.—F. M. Pitts.

McGuire's Chapel.—A. P. Hunt, D. N. Mann and Z. E. Veazey.

Union Chapel.—J. W. Kent, W. L. Ward and J. E. Williams.

Beulah.—J. J. Carter and R. B. Culpepper.

Rock Springs.—C. C. Hornsby and H. Owens.
New Home.—W. T. Collier and G. R. Palmer.
New Hope.—C. W. Stevens, T. N. Norris, J. N. Hodges, T. J. Burton, G. W. Chewning.
Bethlehem.—Not represented.
Christiana.—S. W. Bryant and A. L. Jennings.
Pleasant Grove.—T. J. Lett and John Coggins.
Christian Home.—A. J. Lauderdale and W. H. McWherter.
Union Grove.—H. O. Wallace and D. B. Sharp.
Forest Home.—T. J. Smith and J. L. Smith.
Beulah (Jirard)—J. J. Baird and H. A. Newsom.

A quorum being present, Conference proceeded to the election of the following officers: President, Rev. Jubilee Smith; Vice-President, Rev. J. D. Elder; Secretary, J. W. Payne; Assistant Secretary, G. D. Hunt; Treasurer, E. A. Able.

On motion, the President appointed Revs. J. D. Elder, C. M. Dollar and J. W. Elder as Committee on Order of Business.

On motion, Rev. M. L. Hurley, of the Eastern Virginia Conference, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member, who responded with appropriate remarks.

On motion of Rev. T. H. Elder, the deacons and delegates of this church were appointed as a Committee on Religious Services.

On motion, Rev. M. L. Hunt was chosen to deliver the annual address, Sunday at 11 a. m.

Church letters called for, read and adopted.

Committee on Order of Business submitted the following report:

We, your Committee on Order of Business submit the following report:

1. That we meet at 8.30 a. m. Have preaching at 11 a. m. each day, and adjourn at will in the afternoon.
2. Calling for and reading church reports.
3. Filling vacancies.
4. Receiving and considering reports.

J. D. ELDER, Chairman.

On motion, G. D. Hunt, J. D. Elder and C. M. Dollar were appointed as a Committee to fill vacancies on standing committees.

On Moral Reform.—J. W. Elder, Sr., T. J. Edmonson and G. W. Chewning.

Standing of Churches.—J. J. Baird.

Standing of the Ministry.—W. R. Knight, C. W. Swann and C. M. Dollar.

Adjourned.

SECOND DAY.

Conference met at 9 a. m., and opened with prayer by the President.

Minutes of yesterday read and adopted.

Ministerial reports called for, read and received.

The report of Committee on Home Missions was deferred until to-morrow at 10 a. m.

The following report was submitted by the Committee on Foreign Missions:

We, your Committee on Foreign Missions, beg leave to make the following report:

In our judgment, it is strange to see so many of our people opposing foreign missions, right in the face of the plain Scriptural declarations: "Go ye into all the world," "Go teach all nations," etc.

We hope the time is not far distant when our people will wake up to the importance of obedience to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, realizing that God will prosper His cause in the hands of willing and obedient servants. We are not in possession of sufficient information to enable us to give the statistics of our work in the foreign fields. But we feel satisfied, that if our people would rally to the foreign mission cause, and thereby feed the perishing millions of poor heathen with the bread and light of eternal life, that God would bless us with such prosperity as only those who obey can enjoy.

We recommend that this Conference raise fifty dollars for foreign missions for the next year. W. R. KNIGHT.

Read, and discussed by Revs. M. L. Hurley and H. W. Elder. Adopted.

Rev. F. M. Burdett, of Methodist Episcopal Church, was invited to a seat with us as a deliberative member.

The Executive Committee submitted the following report, which was read and adopted:

We, the Executive Committee, beg leave to report that there has been nothing before us this year.

REV. C. M. DOLLAR,
REV. T. H ELDER,
REV. W. R. KNIGHT.

The Committee on Standing of Churches made the following report. Read and adopted.

We, your Committee on the Standing of Churches, beg leave to make the following report:

We find all the churches in good standing and their members at peace with one another, as far as we have received the reports.

S. N. SLEDGE,
J. W. ELDER,
J. J. BAIRD,
Committee.

The Committee on the Standing of the Ministry made the following report:

We your Committee on Standing of the Ministry ask to report as follows:

We find all of our ministers in good standing and in discharge of their duties so far as we have heard. We recommend that this Conference take steps to bring our brethren, M. D. Chewning, J. H. Hughes and J. B. Orr, who are in Texas, to account for themselves and their work. We request that this Conference authorize the Secretary to write to the brethren in Texas, get their reports and turn them over to the Executive Committee.

W. R. KNIGHT, Chairman.

Read and adopted.

Revs. J. W. Tucker and E. B. Norton, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, were invited to seats with us as deliberative members.

Dismissed for preaching by Rev. J. W. Elder.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference opened with singing. President in the chair.

On motion, brother D. B. Sharp was enrolled as a delegate from Union Grove.

Revs. G. D. Hunt, H. W. Elder and W. R. Knight were appointed as a Committee on Religious Literature.

Rev. J. D. Elder and brother W. F. Price were elected as delegates to the General Convention, which meets at Raleigh, N. C., in May, 1898.

Rev. H. W. Elder was appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon before the next Annual Conference.

Districts Nos. 1 and 2 were united into one.

Conference adjourned.

THIRD DAY.

Conference opened wih singing, and prayer by Rev. J. D. Elder.

The minutes of the preceding day were read and adopted. Report on Moral Reform read, as follows:

We, your Committee on Moral Reform, beg leave to report the following:

That the morals are gaining ground in our midst; and we recommend that every follower of Christ teach and practice morality in all their pursuits of life; and that we believe upon this, to a great extent, depends the prosperity and upbuilding of Christianity in our midst.

Resolved, That we practice morality and teach our children morals around our fire sides.

J. W. ELDER, Sr.,
T. J. EDMONSON,
G. W. CHEWNING,
Committee.

Discussed by J. D. Elder, T. H. Elder, G. D. Hunt, J. W. Elder, Sr., J. W. Elder, Jr., Jubilee Smith, J. M. Walsh and C. M. Dollar, and adopted.

The Committee on Home Missions made the following report:

Dear Brethren:—After investigation we find that $145.24 has been raised.

Our missionaries, Bros. C. M. Dollar and J. W. Elder, have been in the field for this year, whose reports have been submitted to this body.

We recommend that two hundred dollars be raised by the Conference for 1898.

We further recommend, that the money on hand be divided between two or three men, as the Conference may deem advisable. Let those men be located in the Conference, so as to be convenient to any mission points that may be within the bounds of the Conference. We ask, that the pastors see that the amounts asked for be raised. Respectfully submitted,

H. W. ELDER,
G. D. HUNT,
W. D. MITCHEL,
Committee.

After discussion by H. W. Elder, J. D. Elder, S. N. Sledge, J. W. Elder, Sr., M. L. Hurley, A. P. Hunt

A. P. Hunt and C. M. Dollar, the question was laid over until the afternoon.

Conference adjourned for preaching, by Rev. H. W. Elder.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met at 2 p. m. The President and Vice-President both being absent, the Conference was called to order by Rev. H. W. Elder.

Report on Home Missions taken up and discussed by Revs. H. W. Elder, Robert Leslie, C. Carter, Geo. Brown, J. W. Elder and T. H. Elder. Report was adopted.

Revs. J. D. Elder and W. R. Knight were appointed as home missionaries, each to give one-fourth of his time to the work.

Mt. Carmel church, of Chilton county, Alabama, was received as a member of the Georgia and Alabama Conference.

It was decided that the next session of this Conference would be held with the church at Phœnix City, instead of Pleasant Grove, as previously decided.

The Committee on Education made the following report, which was adopted:

We, your Committee on Education, recommend that greater effort be made by our people toward a higher standing of education. Your Committe realizes the great necessity of an educated ministry. Our success as a denomination, depends on our ministry, and an educated ministry at that. And whosoever aspires to that high calling must have an education sufficient to measure arms with the ministry of other denominations. The time has come when our congregations demand an educated ministry, as well as to be better able to understand and expound the word of God. It is a vital question, on which our life as a people depends, and it is apparent to every investigating mind. The idea of a minister of God going before a congregation when he knows that his congregation is better able to teach him than he is to teach them, is an embarrassing position, such as to destroy what power he may possess even with those no better informed than himself.

We further recommend, that after due examination on experimental religion, if an applicant for license to preach the Gospel shall be found in possession of proof of his Divine call to the ministry, that the Conference grant him license to preach, but withhold his ordination until he shall come up to the required standard educationally. JUBILEE SMITH, Chairman.

Brothers J. E. Williams and J. D. Garrison, having passed a satisfactory examination, were licensed by the Conference to preach the Gospel.

The Committee on Sunday Schools made the followign report, which was adopted:

We, your Committee on Sunday Schools, submit our report:

We observe from our church reports that nearly all our churches have Sunday Schools, or have a number of its members in Sunday Schools, though only a few have schools that last through the winter.

We have organized a Sunday School Convention in our Conference, which has proven a grand success. We most earnestly beg all of our churches to rally to the Sunday School cause. We regard it as one of the best auxiliaries of the church.

G. D. HUNT,
M. F. LETT,
J. W. PAYNE,
Committee.

The Committee on Religious Literature submitted the following report, which was discussed by Revs. M. L. Hurley and J. W. Elder, and adopted:

We, your Committee on Religious Liter ature, beg leave to submit our report.

There is no medium through which we can arouse the membership of our church as through our literature. There are many homes in our church that have no religious periodicals in them, and but very little other religious literature. We deplore so much unnecessary ignorance on religion, and the general work of the church.

We heartily recommend the "Christian Sun" to all our people, the organ of the Southern Christian Convention. This is our paper, and we should by all means give it our deepest sympathy and hearty support.

We also recommend the "Herald of Gospel Liberty," the organ of the American Christian Convention, as a paper worthy of your patronage.

We recommend, further, the use of our own Sunday School supplies, also the books and tracts published by our publishing house.

G. D. HUNT,
H. W. ELDER,
W. R. KNIGHT,
Committee.

On motion, there was a short prayer and praise meeting held.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. H. W. Elder, in honor of the late Rev. J. L. Neese, which was adopted:

Whereas, God has taken from earth to his reward our beloved brother, Rev. J. L. Neese.

Resolved, That we bow in humble submission to His will, for "He doeth all things well."

Resolved further, That this body extend to his wife and children, also his church and friends, its hearty sympathy.

H. W. ELDER.

The Treasurer madethe following report:

Received from the Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference:

Home Missions	$146.58
Foreign Missions,	———
For Minutes,	———
Total,	———

Paid out as follows:

To M. L. Hurley, for Minutes,	$———
To H. W. Elder, for home missions	48.86
To J. D. Elder, home missions,	48.86
To W. R. Knight, home missions,	48.86
Total,	———

E. A. ABLE, Treasurer.

The following resolution of thanks was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That this Conference, in annual session at Antioch, tender its thanks to this church and community for their hospitality tendered us while in their midst.

G. D. HUNT.

Brother J. F. Clack was appointed to assist the Secretary in preparing the minutes for the press.

The following are the standing committees:

Executive.—C. M. Dollar, Jubilee Smith and H. W. Elder.

Sunday Schools.—J. W. Elder, Jr., S. N. Sledge and E. M. Gay.

Moral Reform.—G. D. Hunt, R. M. Brown and J. T. Clack.

Standing of Churches.—J. W. Elder, Sr., C. H. Stevenson and C. W. Swan.

Standing of Ministry.—J. D. Garrison, T. L. Orr and T. H. Elder.

Home Missions.—H. W. Elder, C. M. Dollar and F. M. Pitts.

Foreign Missions.—J. D. Elder, M. F. Lett and G. D. Hunt.

Education.—H. W. Elder, J. E. Williams and J. J. Beaird.

There being no further business, Conference adjourned to meet with the church at Phœnix City, on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1898.

Rev. JUBILEE SMITH, President.

J. W. PAYNE, Secretary.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

Ministers.	Number Sermons	Number Lectures	Prayer-meetings.	Number Received into the Church.	Funeral Sermons.	Marriages.	Pastoral Visits.	Salary Received.	Miles Traveled.
H. W. Elder	206	52	----	----	11	7	247	$340 00	2,700
G. D. Hunt	110	----	----	58	----	6	------	191 05	1,556
J. D. Elder	117	3	----	72	5	3	------	177 25	1,813
J. W. Elder	82	----	----	30	4	6	------	50 65	1,200
T. H. Elder	135	9	----	20	3	4	------	71 25	1,979
W. R. Knight	------	----	----	----	----	----	------	------	------
Jubilee Smith	------	----	----	----	----	----	------	10 00	------
C. W. Swann	------	----	----	----	----	2	------	------	------
M. F. Lett	43	9	23	----	----	1	------	------	950
C. M. Dollar	132	7	----	36	----	5	------	150 82	1,300

NOTE.—The ministers not making their reports full, the above table does not give them, nor the people whom they served, justice. Several of our ministers made no formal report at all. I would suggest that all the ministers prepare their reports next year before they go to Conference—prepare them in writing—showing all the work they have done.

STATISTICAL TABLE, SHOWING REPORTS FOR 1897 AND ASSESSMENTS FOR 1898.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	No. Last Report.	Received Since.	No. Dismissed.	No. Expelled.	No. Died.	Present Number.	Paid Pastor.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Minutes.	Other Purposes.	No. in Sunday School.	Value of Church Property.	Educational Fund.	Home Missions for 1898.	Foreign Missions for 1898.
Antioch	T. H. Elder	80	13	3	4		86	$ 30 25	$ 13 15	$1 31	$ 60	$	33	$600 00	$	$11 18	$2 75
Beulah	G. D. Hunt	87	7	5	2		87	63 00	12 00	2 75	1 45		50	500 00	2 75	11 31	2 78
Beulah (Jirard)	H. W. Elder	133	29	6	1	2	153	150 00	12 50	3 00	1 50	400 00	110	600 00		19 89	4 90
Bethany	C. M. Dollar	13	23	3	1		32	3 00	4 47	2 20		125 00	46	300 00		4 16	1 02
Bethlehem	H. W. Elder	27	19				46	45 00	2 70				72	68 00		5 98	1 47
Corinth	C. G. Malone	39														5 07	1 25
Christiana	J. D. Elder	76	4	2		2	76	27 25	4 37		60					9 88	2 43
Christian Home	T. H. Elder	64	6	3	2		65	13 00	1 55	10	1 10					8 45	2 08
McGuirer's Chapel	G. D. Hunt	112	8	2	1	1	116	20 00	8 00	2 00		32 50	30	250 00		15 08	3 71
Mount Zion	J. D. Elder	66	47	8			105	50 00	9 75		1 00			500 00		13 65	3 36
Mount Carmel	M. F. Lett						6				60					78	19
Macedonia	C. W. Swann	35		1	1		33		4 00		1 00					4 29	1 06
New Hope	J. D. Elder	171	12	2	9	1	171	100 00	24 38	6 16	85			600 00		22 23	5 65
New Harmony	J. W. Elder	96	9	4	1		100	40 00	7 55		1 50			600 00		13 00	3 20
New Home	J. W. Elder	34	21	1			54	10 65	1 40		1 10			125 00		7 02	1 73
Providence Chapel	H. W. Elder	71	6			2	75	130 00	11 20	1 60	1 50	40 00	30	600 00		9 75	2 40
Pleasant Grove	G. D. Hunt	69	3	3		2	67	26 00	3 00	70			25	350 00		8 71	2 14
Union Grove	T. H. Elder	26					26	20 00	1 75	50	10	5 00		300 00	50	3 38	83
Forest Home	C. M. Dollar	55		6			49	25 45	7 00	1 50		5 50	30	600 00		6 37	1 57
Rock Springs	T. H. Elder	87	1	2	5	1	81	8 00	2 00							10 63	2 59
Union Chapel	G. D. Hunt	62	40	5	2	1	94	82 05	10 56	2 11	1 00		45			12 22	3 01
Union	C. M. Dollar	11	13				24	9 32	2 66			18 20	29			3 12	77

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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

SEVENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Eastern Virginia Christian Conference,

HELD AT

Bethlehem, Virginia.

Bethlehem, Nansemond county, Va.,
November 2, 1897.

The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference convened here to-day in its Seventy-seventh Annual Session, and was called to order by Rev. W. S. Long, D.D., President of the last session.

Elders present.—J. P. Barrett, J. W. Barrett, M. W. Butler, J. W. Harrell, M. L. Hurley, W. S. Long, W. J. Laine, N. G. Newman. W. W. Staley.

Delegates were enrolled as follows:

Antioch.—J. A. Barrett.
Berea (Nansemond).—R. B. Odom.
Berkley.—D. J. Bowden.
Bethlehem.—Darius King.
Burton's Grove.—R. A. Gay.
Cypress Chapel.—Napoleon Brothers.
Holy Neck.—A. T. Holland.
Liberty Spring.—I. Q. Byrd, J. S. Peel.
Mount Carmel.—J. H. Butler.
Norfolk.—A. M. Eley.
Oakland.—R. Saunders.
Providence.—R. A. Hyslop.
Suffolk.—G. W. Nurney, W. H. Jones, Jr.
Waverly.—J. T. Harris, J. T. Lilly.
Windsor.—Dr. T. E. Baird.

The following churches had no delegates present today: Barrett's, Berea (Norfolk), Bethany, Centerville, Damascus, Eure's, Franklin, Holland, Isle of Wight C. H., Ivor, Johnson's Grove, Mount Zion, New Lebanon, Spring Hill, Union (Surry), Union (Southampton).

Dr. J. P. Barrett conducted religious services.

A quorum being present, Conference went into the election of officers.

Rev. W. S. Long, D.D., was elected President, and Rev. N. G. Newman Assistant Secretary.

On motion, the order of business as it appears in the Annual of 1897, was adopted for use in the present session.

Rev. M. W. Butler was requested to furnish for publication condensed proceedings of this body to the correspondents in Suffolk, Va., of the "Norfolk Virginian," "Pilot" and "Landmark."

On motion, the annual address was deferred until tomorrow.

Rev. R. H. Peel, of the Virginia Valley Conference, and also a fraternal messenger from that Conference, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

Prof. E. L. Moffitt, editor of the "Christian Sun," was invited to a seat as a deliberative member. He bore the fraternal greetings of the Western North Carolina Conference to this body.

Rev. M. L. Hurley, being just from the Georgia and Alabama Conference, was called upon. He responded, stating that the outlook was hopeful and encouraging to the Christian Church in the South.

Church letters were called for, and on motion, reading of same was dispensed with, and Rev. J. W. Harrell, Dr. T. E. Baird and A. M. Eley, were constituted a Committee on Tabulation.

The following elders handed in their ministerial reports: J. P. Barrett, M. W. Butler, J. W. Harrell, M. L. Hurley, W. S. Long, N. G. Newman, W. W. Staley.

Adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order by the President.

Ministerial reports were received from Elders J. W. Barrett and W. J. Laine.

Reports of fraternal messengers to the various Conferences were called for. Dr. J. P. Barrett responded that he had attended the Western North Carolina Conference, and saw marked evidences of progress in that Conference. From various reasons the other fraternal messengers were unable to attend the Conferences to which they were assigned.

Fraternal messengers were elected as follows: To the Western North Carolina Conference, Revs. M. L. Hurley and W. S. Long; to the Eastern North Carolina Conference, Revs. W. W. Staley, J. P. Barrett and W. S. Long; to the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, Revs. W. S. Long and M. L. Hurley; to the Georgia and Alabama Conference, Rev. M. L. Hurley; to the Virginia Valley Conference, Revs. W J. Laine and W. S. Long.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

On November 23, 1896, we ordered that the home mission fund borrow $15 from the educational fund to cover deficit to meet draft on that fund, the same to be refunded at the Conference of 1897.

On May 31, 1897, in response to a direct call from the Board of Directors of the Publishing House, provided for by the Southern Christian Convention, June 8, 1896, we ordered, through the "Christian Sun," that the churches composing this Conference send up the assessment of ten cents per member to this Conference for said Publishing House. This assessment, as provided for in the call is to cover a period of five years.

W. W. STALEY,
N. G. NEWMAN,
H. H. BUTLER,
J. P. BARRETT.

November 1, 1897.

Discussed by Dr. W. W. Staley and adopted.

On motion, A. M. Eley and R. C. Norfleet were appointed collectors to receive the funds sent up by the churches.

Liberty Spring was selected as the place for the holding of the next session.

Rev. N. G. Newman was elected to deliver the annual

address at the next session, and Rev. J. W. Harrell was chosen as his alternate.

The pastor and delegates of this church were constituted a Committee on Religious Services.

On motion, the chair appointed Rev. J. P. Barrett, D.D., Dr. T. E. Baird and J. T. Harris a committee to nominate delegates to represent this Conference at the next session of the Southern Christian Convention.

R. A. Hyslop, A. T. Holland and J. S. Peel were appointed Committee to Arrange Assessments for the coming year.

On motion, the chair appointed Revs. N. G. Newman, J. W. Barrett and W. W. Staley a Committee on Finance.

The matter of elders who had failed to report to this Conference was referred to the Executive Committee.

Dr. J. P. Barrett and Rev. M. W. Butler presented bills of $2.75 and $1.20 respectively. On motion, the bills were referred to the Committee on Finance.

Revs. N. G. Newman, W. J. Laine and W. W. Staley, D.D., were constituted a Committee to revise the forms of ministerial and church reports.

On motion, Conference adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. M. L. Hurley.

SECOND DAY.

Conference was called to order by the President. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. T. Kitchen.

Delegates were enrolled as follows:

Bethany.—Carr Beale.

Damascus.—L. S. Parker, Warren Powell.

Holland.—Paul C. Holland.

Mount Carmel.—I. W. Duck, R. E. Turner.

The roll of elders and delegates was called, and minutes of last session read, corrected and approved.

The following delegates arrived and were enrolled:

Holland.—I. A. Luke.

Berkley.—J. A. McCloud, Jr., S. A. Eley.

The report on Moral Reform and also report on Education, were deferred until a later time.

The ministerial report of Rev. R. H. Holland was received and read.

On motion, Rev. M. W. Butler, Dr. J. P. Barrett and A. M. Eley were constituted a standing Committee on Christian Endeavor work.

I. W. Duck was, on motion, appointed to fill vacancy in the Committee to Nominate Delegates to the Southern Christian Convention.

At this time Conference suspended business to hear the annual address.

The annual address was delivered by Rev. W. J. Laine, who took as his subject, "Christ our Example," basing his remarks on 1 Peter, 2d chapter and 21st verse.

Conference resumed business.

The Nominating Committee submitted their report, and after the addition of Dr. J. P. Barrett as one of the delegates, it was adopted, as follows:

Delegates to the Southern Christian Convention:

Elders—J. P. Barrett, W. W. Staley, W. J. Laine, W. S. Long, M. L. Hurley, M. W. Butler, N. G. Newman.

Alternates—J. W. Harrell, J. W. Barrett, J. T. Kitchin, H. H. Butler, R. H. Holland, H. C. Moore.

Laymen—E. E. Holland, R. A. Hyslop, J. F. West, W. J. Lee, T. J. Lawrence, A. M. Eley.

Alternates—I. A. Luke, J. H. Harris. Dr. T. E. Baird, I. W. Norfleet, L. H. Whitley, Geo. H. Costen.

J. P. BARRETT,
J. T. HARRIS,
I. W. DUCK,
Committee.

The report on Religious Literature being ready, the Committee was given permission to submit their report. The report was discussed by Dr. J. P. Barrett, E. L. Moffitt, editor of the "Christian Sun," Dr. W. W. Staley, and Revs. N. G. Newman and M. L. Hurley.

Pending discussion, Conference adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order by the President.

The following delegates were enrolled:

Franklin.—I. W. Norfleet, A. T. Lee.

Suffolk.—T. W. Artman.

Windsor.—E. L. Joyner.

Johnson's Grove.—J. W. Johnson, Alexander Bradshaw.

Union (Southampton).—J. C. Scott.

Liberty Springs.—Joel E. Harrell.

Holland.—Dr. Job G. Holland.

Berea (Nansemond).—Col. A. Savage.

Rev. H. H. Butler was enrolled.

The report on Religious Literature, which was pending when Conference adjourned for dinner, was taken up, and no further discussion ensuing, the report was adopted.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Your Committee on Religious Literature submit the following for your consideration:

1. We commend to you, and through you to our churches, "The Christian Sun," now edited and published by Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Raleigh, N. C., as serving us to the satisfaction of our people generally. As a medium of communication among our churches it is indispensable and without a rival. It should have a more hearty support from both subscribers and contributors.

2. We also commend the "Herald of Gospel Liberty," of Dayton, Ohio, as the organ of our people at large in the United States and Canada. It is ably edited and is serving the popular demands of our people in a very encouraging manner.

3. "The Christian Missionary," edited and published by Rev. J. G. Bishop, Secretary of Missions, Dayton, Ohio, is a most valuable monthly, devoted almost exclusively to the mission interests of the Christian Church, and as such it should have the hearty support of all our people who really wish for the spread of the Gospel to the ends of the earth. It is published at fifty cents a year, and cheaper in clubs. We bespeak for it a large circulation.

4. There has been recently published a little tract of sixteen pages, called "The Origin, Government, and Principles of the Christian Church," by Prof. E. L. Moffitt. It is written and published under the auspices of the Christian Missionary Association, and as a matter of information, in brief form it is perhaps the best adapted to our general needs of all similar efforts, and we commend its circulation.

5. We commend the reading of rich spiritual books, by our people, as of great value to the Christian life, such as those written by Meyer, of London; Andrew Murray, of South Africa; Frances Rid-

ley Havergal, of England; A. B. Simpson, of New York City; Arthur T. Pierson, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and many others, too numerous to mention here. These are, in no sense, sectarian, or even denominational, but strictly and truly spiritual, dealing almost exclusively with the inner life of God's people. The F. H. Revell Company, of New York City, sell these books.

6. We urge our poeple to give especial attention to the missionary literature of the day, such as mission periodicals and missionary books, and in particular the biography of missionaries, such as the Life of John G. Paton, the hero of missionary work in the New Hebrides, along with the lives of William Carey, Bishop Patterson, James Chalmers, Griffith John, Robert Morrison, and many others, too numerous to mention here. They are good feeders of missionary fires, which we need to have burning upon the altars of every heart in our churches.

7. It may seem to be a work of supererogation, and yet we feel impelled to urge our people to a more careful and prayerful study of the Scriptures, with a view to the enrichment of their own spiritual experience. Let us seek to go deeper into the riches of God's truth, and let us always remember that this must be done by way of the closet. A closer walk with God will mean a clearer perception of His truth and the enrichment of the individual experience.

Respectfully submitted, J. PRESSLEY BARRETT,
W. J. LAINE,
A. T. HOLLAND.

A petition from Sarem Christian church, asking admission into this Conference, was presented. Remarks pertinent to the admission of same were made by Dr. W. W. Staley and Rev. H. H. Butler. On motion, the petition was unanimously granted, and delegates C. J. Savage and W. J. Felton from said church were enrolled.

Rev. D. B. Austin, of the East Methodist church of Suffolk, Va., was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

EDUCATIONAL REPORT.

J. H. Jones, licentiate, has made no recent report, but we understand he still pursues his studies in Harvard University.

L. L. Lassiter, I. W. Johnson, J. M. Roberts, Geo. J. Green, D. P. Barrett, and C. C. Jones are all pursuing their studies in Elon College. J. T. Steele is in Berkley Military Institute, and W. H. Butler is employed in a store in Berkley.

We recommend—

1. The licensure of Lucius Lee Lassiter and Isaac Walter Johnson by the President, the time and place subject to the approval of the Educational Committee.

2. That the name of R. H. D. Demorest, licentiate, be erased from our roll and his credentials revoked, as he has united with another denomination and secured license therefrom without the knowledge or consent of this body.

3. That Wallace Chapin McLeod, who is now a student in Elon College, be entered upon the roll of ministerial students in our Biblical class.

4. That appropriations be made as follows:

L. L. Lassiter, $100; I. W. Johnson, $100; Geo. J. Green, $100; D. P. Barrett, $75; C. C. Jones, $75; J. M. Roberts, $50. Total, $500.

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.

Bills Receivable:		
N. G. Newman	$240.00	
R. H. Peel	99.50	
W. J. Laine	475.00	
J. W. Harrell	137.50	
	$952.00	$ 952.00
Accounts:		
L. L. Lassiter	400.00	
J. W. Johnson	175.00	
D. P. Harrell	50.00	
C. C. Jones	50.00	
D. P. Barrett	50.00	
Geo. J. Green	50.00	
J. M. Roberts	50.00	
	$825.00	825.00
Cash:		
In bank	533.39	
Due from Home Misson Fund	15.00	
	$548.39	584.39
Total assets		$2,325.39
Paid on Notes:		
N. G. Newman	50.00	
W. J. Laine	50.00	
	$100.00	

This has been paid to the Treasurer, credited on their notes, and is included in cash in bank.

We present the claims of Elon College as our Institution and worthy of our patronage and support. It has put new energy and hope into our church, and increased the efficiency of our work. It deserves the prayers and sympathetic help of our people, and promises good returns upon what we invest in its improvement. It is increasing public interest in us and respect for our cause.

We express approving satisfaction in the appointment of Rev. Dr. W. S. Long as general agent of the college, and bespeak for him the co-operation of our people in his work.

We recommend, also, as a good preparatory school, Berkley Military Institute, under the management of Professors J. W. Roberts, and S. M. Smith, who are alumni of Elon College.

We regret to note the death of Daniel Preston Harrell, at his father's residence in Nansemond County, July 10, 1897, and desire to express our Christian sympathy for the family in their bereavement.

W. W. STALEY,
J. PRESSLEY BARRETT,
N. G. NEWMAN,
M. W. BUTLER.

Discussed by Drs. Staley, Barrett and Long, and adopted.

Delegates J. J. Hall, from Berea (Norfolk), and A. L. Harrell and E. D. Brinkley, from Cypress Chapel, were enrolled.

The Committee on Religious Services announced that Rev. W. S. Long, D.D., would preach to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

Adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock a. m., to-morrow. Prayer by Rev. D. B. Austin, of the Methodist church.

THIRD DAY.

The President called Conference to order. Religious services were conducted by Rev. N. G. Newman.

Roll called. Proceedings of yesterday read, corrected and approved.

The ministerial report of Rev. J. T. Kitchen was received and read.

J. S. Felton, from Eure's, was enrolled.

The report on Foreign Missions was submitted. On motion, the report was made a special order for to-day at half past 2 o'clock.

Rev. W. J. Laine was requested to furnish to the "Christian Sun," for publication, a copy of his address delivered before this body yesterday.

Delegates J. R. Hinton, from Damascus, and T. E. Brickhouse, from Norfolk, were enrolled.

The ministerial report of Rev. H. H. Butler was handed in and read.

REPORT OF MORAL REFORM.

This is a subject vast and unlimited in scope, and one that should be brought prominently before all of God's people. Past history reveals to us the fact that moral reforms were lacking and present times demand moral reformation.

The church of God, recognizing the need of a higher Christian life, should seek for that purity of life which shall by example as well as by precept, redeem her people from all sinful and injurious habits.

We suggest that this body adopt the following as their attitude towards the evils so prevalent in our country:

1. That we urge our members to abstain from the use as a bever-

age of all intoxicating drinks; that none buy or sell, manufacture or rent property for the business, or aid it in any way.

2. That we urge our members to abstain from the use of tobacco in all unnecessary forms.

3. That we acknowledge the deplorable condition of the Christian Sabbath, and that we strive for its recovery from the desecrating influences in the world of industry, the literary world and the fields of amusement. The working of multitudes of men, excursions on trains, steam-boats and wheels, opening of mails and reading of secular papers, and whatever leads our people from the house of God.

4. That we express our disapprobation of all corrupting forces, such as immoral associations, card playing, wheels of fortune, racing and futures in the great exchanges.

5. That we deplore the great social evils, growing out of dancing, divorce, wine and card parties, and whatever corrupt individual character and makes the home unchristian in practice and result.

6. We enter our protest against commercial dishonesty, expressed in over buying, under-paying, avoiding debt by legal quibbling, and all forms of business that do not contain the elements of honesty.

7. That we also express our unqualified condemnation of the abuse of the art of picture-making, as seen in our current literature, and upon calendars, posters, etc., and especially that feature of which so dishonors womanhood.

J. W. HARRELL,
A. T. LEE,
I. W. NORFLEET,
J. T. KITCHEN,
Committee.

Discussed by Rev. J. W. Harrell and Rev. J. W. Barrett, A. M. Eley, J. A. McCloud, Jr., Dr. W. S. Long, Rev. N. G. Newman, and adopted.

Adjourned for preaching and dinner, to 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President in the chair.

The Committee on Religious Services announced that Dr. J. P. Barrett would preach to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

A proposition from D. J. Mood, of the "Tide-Water Citizen," in regard to printing the proceedings of this Conference, was received. On motion, action was deferred until the publication of the proceedings should be under consideration.

The Committee on Assessments offered their report. On motion, the report was referred back to the Committee for revision, and T. W. Artman was added to the Committee.

The hour for special order having arrived, the report on Foreign Missions was taken up.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

A careful study of our foreign work reveals some gratifying results. Our foreign mission work has just completed its first decade.

In January, 1887, the work was begun in Japan with two missionaries. Since that time the work has had a steady growth.

The following statistics will show the condition of the work, July 1st, 1897:

Missionaries, 5; native pastors, 8; stations, 2; out-stations, 20; organized churches, 6; membership of churches, 319; Sunday Schools, 12; pupils in Sunday Schools, 740; day schools, 3; pupils in day schools, 110; theological schools, 1; pupils in theological schools, 8.

When we take into consideration the short time since we began operation in the foreign field, and the feeble support which we have given it, we should not only feel encouraged, but aroused to greater effort.

The contributions from this Conference has had a steady increase, which shows that our people are becoming more interested in the work. The facts show that the contributions from this Conference per capita have increased from one-half per cent in 1892, to three and three-fourths in 1896. This increase per capita becomes still more significant of a healthier growth of the missionary spirit among our people, when considered in conjunction with the fact that the membership of the churches has had a continued increase.

Our efforts have, indeed, been too feeble, but with these encouraging results before us, our faith looks out beyond the narrow limits of our present operations, and reveals to us prospects for missions as bright as the promises of God.

As a Conference, as local churches, as individual Christians, we all should have a higher appreciation of the demands made on us by missions, and strive to be more faithful to His command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

We would commend to the careful reading of our people "The Christian Missionary," edited and published in the interest of missions by J. G. Bishop, Dayton, Ohio, and also the contributions to the mission column, by Rev. J P. Barrett, D. D., in the "Christian Sun." And to all who can, we would recommend the reading of biographies of missionaries, histories of missions, and the "Missionary Review of the World."

W. J. LAINE,
J. E. WEST,
Committee.

Discussed by Revs. J. P. Barrett, D.D., W. W. Staley, D.D., and W. J. Laine, and adopted with the following amendment:

"We recommend that each church in this Conference organize a missionary society and have missionary addresses delivered before it as often as practicable."

O. M. Cockes, from New Lebanon was enrolled.

The Committee on Revision of Forms of Church Re-

ports, offered their report, and it was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO REVISE MINISTERIAL AND CHURCH REPORTS.

We recommend the following changes:

I. Church letter: add—
- Number families in church.
- Number families subscribers to "Sun."
- Number families without "Sun."
- Publishing House Fund.

II. Pastor's report: add—
1. Number received into fellowship.
2. Number baptisms.
3. Number subscribers obtained to "Sun."

III. Assessment slips:
1. Home Missions.
2. Foreign Missions.
3. Education.
4. Superannuated.
5. Conference and Publication.
6. Convention.
7. Publishing House.

N. G. NEWMAN,
W. W. STALEY,
W. J. LAINE,
Committee.

November 4, 1897.

Conference adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning. Prayer by Rev. N. G. Newman.

FOURTH DAY.

The President called Conference to order. Rev. M. W. Butler conducted religious services.

The roll was called and minutes of yesterday read and approved.

The Secretary was instructed to draw on the Treasurer, through the Conference and Publication Fund, for $4.13, amount of bill rendered, and also for $20.00, his usual allowance for services.

On motion, the Committee on Assessments was constituted a standing committee.

The Collectors' report was received, and on motion, referred to the Committee on Finance.

The standing committees, appointed by the chair, are as follows:

Education.—W. W. Staley, M. W. Butler, N. G. Newman.

Home Missions.—W. J. Laine, H. H. Butler, W. H. Jones, Jr.

Foreign Missions.—J. P. Barrett, W. J. Lee, M. L. Hurley.

Moral Reform.—J. W. Harrell, W. J. Laine, J. T. Harris.

Sabbath Schools.—J. W. Barrett, J. T. Kitchen, R. H. Holland.

Religious Literature.—J. T. Kitchen, J. P. Barrett, Col. A. Savage.

Christian Endeavor Work.—A. M. Eley, J. W. Harrell, M. W. Butler.

Executive Committee.—W. W. Staley, N. G. Newman, H. H. Butler.

Assessments.—N. G. Newman, A. T. Holland, David McClenny.

Report on assessments for the coming year was offered, and, on motion, adopted.

CONFERENCE ASSESSMENT REPORT.

Your Committee on Conference Assessments beg leave to submit the following report:

NAME.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Educational Fund.	Superannuated Fund.	Conference.	Convention.	Publishing House.	Total Amounts.
Antioch	$ 76	$ 16	$ 8	$ 5	$ 5	$ 5	$ 22	$ 137
Barrett's	8	7	5	1	2	2	14	39
Berea—Norfolk	46	19	11	3	3	3	14	99
Berea—Nansemond	90	25	20	5	5	5	10	160
Berkley	30	18	8	4	4	4	16	84
Bethany	25	8	3	2	3	3	7	51
Bethlehem	81	24	10	2	3	5	32	157
Burton's Grove	23	13	3	2	4	2	11	58
Centerville	10	6	2	1	1	1	3	24
Cypress Chapel	90	20	15	2	3	5	30	165
Damascus	56	16	17	2	5	4	22	122
Eure's	18	10	6	2	3	3	15	57
Franklin	13	10	5	1	5	4	5	43
Holland	30	10	5	1	3	1	23	73
Holy Neck	95	30	20	5	5	5	44	204
Isles of Wight	15	10	6	2	4	3	8	48
Ivor	15	9	5	1	4	2	6	42
Johnson's Grove	15	9	5	1	4	2	10	46
Liberty Spring	46	12	12	3	4	3	20	100
Mount Carmel	41	6	5	1	5	2	19	79
Mount Zion	31	9	10	3	5	4	6	68
New Lebanon	10	8	4	2	2	2	8	36
Norfolk	30	15	12	2	5	2	20	86
Oakland	41	12	10	3	6	3	15	90
Providence	28	19	5	2	5	2	8	69
Spring Hill	20	10	8	1	3	3	11	56
Sarem	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
Suffolk	120	45	20	5	5	5	36	236
Union—Surry	15	9	5	2	2	2	8	43
Union—South	10	5	5	2	2	2	13	39
Waverly	30	10	5	2	2	3	12	64
Windsor	15	6	4	1	1	1	5	33
Totals	$1,174	$427	$260	$72	$114	$94	$474	$2,615

R. A. HYSLOP,
A. T. HOLLAND,
J. S. PEEL,
T. W. ARTMAN.

On motion, the word "publication," in column of Conference and Publication Fund, was ordered to be stricken out—the fund to be simply the Conference Fund.

REPORT OF YOUNG PEOPLES CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR SOCIETY.

Your Committee, to whom was referred the subject of the Young Peoples Society of Christian Endeavor, would report as follows:

We believe that as a church auxiliary and one of the very best helps to the spiritual life of the church and a field for the training of young people for Christian service and usefulness, nothing has been presented better than the Young Peoples Christian Endeavor Society.

It seems especially suited to our people in that it is entirely undenominational. Our young people need such organization and opportunities as can be found in this society. It is one of the largest and most universal societies in the world.

We therefore recommend:

1. That this Conference appoint a General Secretary, to look after and superintend the work in this Conference, and that our churches co-operate with and give to the General Secretary hearty support in organizing our young people into Young Peoples Society of Christian Endeavor and Junior Endeavor Societies.

M. W. BUTLER,
A. M. ELEY,
Committee.

Discussed by Revs. M. W. Butler, H. H. Butler and W. W. Staley, D.D., and adopted.

According to recommendation in the foregoing report, Rev. M. W. Butler was elected the General Secretary.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We have examined the reports both of the Treasurer and the Collectors, and find them correct—the former being accompanied by vouchers for all disbursements, and the latter by evidence of a proper disposition of all funds collected.

We recommend that the bills presented by M. W. Butler and J. P. Barrett be paid from the Conference and Publication fund.

N. G. NEWMAN,
J. W. BARRETT,
W. W. STALEY.

Adopted.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Amounts collected during the present session of Conference: Home Missions, $775.34; Foreign Missions, $290.49; Educational fund, $163.93; Convention fund, $51.84; Conference fund, $77.83; Superannuated fund, $51.66; Publishing House fund, $88.91. Total, $1,500.

A. M. ELEY,
R. C. NORFLEET,
Collectors.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Report of Wm. H. Jones, Jr., Treasurer Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, for the Conference year, ending November, 1897:

HOME MISSION FUND.

1896.			
	Receipts:		
Oct. 31.	Conference collection		$758.78
	Excess collected by Committee		51
Nov. 27.	Transfer from Educational Fund		15.00
			$774.29
	Disbursements:		
Nov. 2.	Paid A. Savage, Treasurer (see voucher No. 93 herewith)	$563.69	
	Paid A. Savage, interest on bond (see voucher No. 94)	180.00	
8.	Paid Treasurer of Christian Missionary Association (see voucher No. 107)	30.00	773.69
	Balance on hand to credit of Home Mission Fund		60

CONVENTION FUND.

	Receipts:		
	Balance		142.33
Oct. 31.	Conference collection		55.74
	Special collection		6.64
			$204.71
	Disbursements:		
Nov. 25.	Paid A. F. Burnett, Secretary A. C. C. (see voucher No. 105 herewith		6.64
	Balance on hand to credit of Conference Fund		$198.07

FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

	Receipts:		
	Balance		556.08
Oct. 31.	Conference collection		218.25
			$774.33
	Disbursements:		
Nov. 2.	Paid Conference and Publication Fund on account of Annuals (see voucher No. 96 herewith)	31.00	
	Paid J. A. Mills, Treasurer of General Convention (see voucher No. 108)	400.00	431.00
	Balance on hand to credit of Foreign Mission Fund		$343.33

CONFERENCE AND PUBLICATION FUND.

Receipts:

Oct. 31.	Conference collection		83.07
Nov. 2.	Transfer from Foreign Mission Fund		31.00
			$114.07

Disbursements:

Nov. 2.	Paid T. J. Lawrence, Secretary (see voucher No. 95 herewith)	$24.19	
13.	Paid E. L. Moffitt (see voucher No. 97)	80.00	
	Paid E. L. Moffitt (see voucher No. 92)	9.70	113.89
	Balance on hand to credit of Conference and Publication Fund		18

SUPERANNUATED FUND.

Receipts:

Oct. 26.	Balance	$152.76
31.	Conference collection	53.75
	Balance to credit of Superannuated Fund	$206.51

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

Receipts:

	Balance	416.59
Oct. 31.	Conference collection	369.30
28.	From J. W. Harrell, on indebtedness	37.50
1897.		
Oct. 26	From N. G. Newman, on note	50.00
30.	From W. J. Laine, on note	50.00
		$923.39

1896. *Disbursements:*

Nov. 14.	Paid L. L. Lassiter (see voucher No. 98)	25.00	
	Paid J. M. Roberts (see voucher No. 104)	25.00	
	Paid C. C. Jones (voucher No. 101)	25.00	
16.	Paid I. W. Johnson (voucher No. 99)	37.50	
	Paid Geo. J. Green (voucher No. 103)	25.00	
21.	Paid D. P. Barrett (voucher No. 102)	25.00	
27.	Paid Home Missions (voucher No. 106)	15.00	
Dec. 24.	Paid D. P. Harrell (voucher No. 100)	25.00	
1897.			
Feb. 12.	Paid Geo. J. Green (voucher No. 114)	25.00	
	Paid C. C. Jones (voucher No. 112)	25.00	
	Paid J. M. Roberts (voucher No. 115)	25.00	
16.	Paid D. P Barrett (voucher No. 113)	25.00	
	Paid L. L. Lassiter (voucher No 109)	25.00	
17.	Paid J. W. Johnson (voucher No. 110)	37.50	
M'ch 8.	Paid D. P. Harrell (voucher No. 111)	25.00	390.00
	Balance on hand to credit of Educational Fund		$533.39

BILLS RECEIVABLE.

N. G. Newman	$290.00	
Less credit, October 26, 1897	50.00	240.00
W. J. Laine	525.00	
Less credit, October 30, 1897	50.00	475.00
R. H. Peel	299.50	
Less credit, October 22, 1896	200.00	99.50
J. W. Harrell		137.50
Total amount of bills receivable		$952.00

SUMMARY.

Balance on hand to credit of Home Mission Fund	$ 60
Balance on hand to credit of Convention Fund	198.07
Balance on hand to credit of Foreign Mission Fund	343.33
Balance on hand to credit of Conference and Publication Fund	18
Balance on hand to credit of Superannuated Fund	206.51
Balance on hand to credit of Educational Fund	533.39
Total amount of funds on hand	$1,282.08
(See bank book herewith.)	
Total amount of bills receivable on hand	$ 952.00

WM. H. JONES,
Treas. East. Va. Christian Conference.

Suffolk, Va., November 1, 1897.

The Secretary was directed to draw an order on the Treasurer for $400, from Foreign Mission Fund, in favor of J. A. Mills, Treasurer of the Southern Christian Convention.

The Committee on Home Missions submitted their report. After discussion by Revs. M. W. Butler and H. H. Butler, it was adopted.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Since the Christian Church first assumed definite and organized form, her principles have been in demand and her enterprises a real necessity. Our opportunities have grown with the passing years, and were never before so large as now. The tendency of the religious thought of the age is toward our position. Many of the usages for which we at first contended have finally been applauded and accepted by other denominations.

We find now hearts of Christian love and sympathy and words of fellowship and friendly greeting, where once we met contention. New and inviting fields are constantly opening before us, and the full commission to "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature" is brought to us with new emphasis with every succeeding opportunity.

To enter new fields and sustain our present enterprises, we must

give our home mission cause a hearty and liberal support. If we would enter the foreign field and do service there for Christ, we must have a healthy constituency at home. Our great need is a deeper consecration of heart, life and purse to God. We are reliably informed that there is a fine opening in Norfolk for another Christian church; also at South Norfolk and Portsmouth there are inviting fields. We recommend—

1. That we raise $1,200 next year for Home Missions.
2. That we pay one note of five hundred dollars due on account of the Norfolk Memorial Christian Temple, with all interest now due, which will leave a balance due of twenty-five hundred dollars in five notes of five hundred dollars each.
3. That we give to the Christian Missionary Association our hearty support, and that we take out three memberships at this session in said Association.
4. That the Chairman of the Home Mission Committee be requested to correspond, at least quarterly, with every church in the Conference, to ascertain the progress made in raising the Home Mission assessment, and to urge the importance of same.
5. That each church be requested to have a mission Secretary, who shall co-operate with the Chairman of the Home Mission Committee in raising their assessments.
6. That Revs. H. H. Butler and N. G. Newman look after the church at Salem, N. C.

M. W. BUTLER,
A. SAVAGE,
J. T. HARRIS,
Committee.

Adjourned for preaching and dinner, to 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The President called Conference to order.

At this time the question of Annuals was taken up. After discussion in regard to printing the proceedings of this Conference, it was ordered that they be published in the Annual. A deficit was noted of about $31 in the Conference Fund to pay for Annuals. A collection was taken up, which resulted in $17.84 being raised. This amount was ordered to be turned over to the Treasurer and placed to the credit of the Conference Fund.

The following resolution was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That thirteen dollars be borrowed from the Convention Fund and be placed to the credit of the Conference Fund, and that eighty dollars be appropriated from the Conference Fund to pay for one thousand copies of the Annual; and that the Chair appoint Committee of one to furnish a list of names, post offices, and number of copies to be sent—the distribution to be made according to

membership; provided that no church receive any Annuals that did not contribute to the Conference fund.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Every church in the bounds of our Conference, so far as we are informed, has a Sunday School in connection with its other work for God. A few of these schools are in a flourishing condition, running through the entire year, while many of them, though evergreen, are not as prosperous as we would like to see them. There are many hindering causes in the way of their real progress. We believe the most prominent trouble in the way is a serious lack of the spirit-filled life in many of those who superintend and teach in our schools.

Only as we are led and taught of the Holy Spirit of God can we hope to teach and lead the young in the way of truth and peace.

We therefore recommend—

1. That the choir proper and those who teach the children to sing praises to God, be composed only of those who have and exhibit an exemplary Christian life and spirit.
2. That we select our superintendents from those who prove by their daily walk and conversation that they live in Jesus and have learned of Him the way of life and truth and peace.
3. That we choose, if possible, only spirit-filled teachers.
4. That we continue the use of our Sunday School supplies, published at Dayton, Ohio.
5. That all our schools run through the entire year.

J. W. BARRETT,
A. M. ELEY,
Committee.

After an animated discussion, the report was adopted.

The following resolution was heartily and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we express, by a rising vote, our genuine appreciation of the hospitable entertainment of the delegates and visitors to this Conference by the members and friends of Bethlehem Church.

The Committee on Tabulation submitted their report, and on motion, it was accepted. (For report, see Statistical Table.)

It was stated that there was a fine opening in Norfolk for another Christian church, and the Home Mission Committee was instructed to look into the matter.

Rev. N. G. Newman was appointed to distribute Annuals, according to a resolution passed to-day.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That thirty-one dollars be borrowed from the Convention fund in favor of the Conference fund, and that an order be drawn on Conference fund for said amount, in favor of the Foreign

Mission fund, to cover the amount borrowed on Annuals last year; also, that an order be drawn on the Home Mission fund for fifteen dollars, in favor of the Educational fund, to reimburse this fund for the amount borrowed per order of the Executive Committee.

The minutes of to-day's session were read and approved.

On motion, Conference adjourned to meet with the church at Liberty Spring, Nansemond county, Va., on Tuesday before the first Sunday in November, 1898.

W. S. LONG, President,
Elon College, N. C.

T. J. LAWRENCE, Secretary,
South Quay, Va.

SUMMARY OF MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

J. Pressley Barrett: Charge, Memorial Christian Temple, Norfolk, Virginia; about two hundred and twenty sermons, about twenty-five lectures and addresses; about sixty prayer-meetings; conversions, unknown, but quite a large number; pastoral visits unknown; six marriages; about ten funerals; salary, $1,000.

H. H. Butler: Charges—Antioch, Bethlehem, Cypress Chapel and Damascus; sermons, one hundred and sixteen; lectures and prayer-meetings, several; conversions, about eighty-nine; pastoral visits, about two hundred and eighty-six; twenty-eight funerals; eighteen marriages; salary $719.

M. W. Butler: Charges—Main Street Christian Church, Berkley and Berea, Norfolk County; sermons, one hundred and forty-three; fifty prayer-meetings; sixty-six conversions; pastoral visits, unknown; funerals, ten; marriages, ten; salary, $864.

J. W. Barrett: Charges—Johnson's Grove, Union (Surry), New Lebanon and Mount Zion; sermons, sixty-seven; lectures and addresses, unknown; prayer-meetings, several; conversions and pastoral visits, unknown; two funerals; one marriage; salary, $383.

J. W. Harrell: Charges—Waverly, Spring Hill, Burton's Grove, Barrett's, Centreville, Bethany; sermons, one hundred and seventy; prayer-meetings, fifty; conversions, thirty; pastoral visits, three hundred and one; funerals, eight; marriages, four; salary, $636.70.

R. H. Holland: No charge; lectures and addresses, several; prayer-meetings, several; marriages, two; have been trying to do what I could in the prayer-meetings and Sabbath Schools.

M. L. Hurley: Charges—Mount Auburn, Pleasant Hill, Popes, Chapel, and Ramseur, N. C.; sermons, one hundred and eighteen; lectures and addresses, nine; prayer-meetings, sixteen; conversions, twenty-seven; pastoral visits, unknown; funerals, five; marriages, two; salary, $500.

J. T. Kitchen: Charges—Eure's, Union (Southampton), Mount Carmel, and Ivor; sermons, seventy-five; pastoral visits, unknown; funerals, ten; marriages, eight; salary, $400.

W. J. Laine: Charges—Oakland, Windsor, Liberty Spring and Isle of Wight C. H.; sermons, seventy-three; lectures and addresses, six; prayer-meetings, twenty-five; conversions, thirty-eight; pastoral visits, one hundred and seventy-eight; funerals, six; salary, $617.75; five subscribers and fifteen renewals to the "Christian Sun."

W. S. Long: Charges—Providence, Holland and Franklin; sermons, eighty; lectures and addresses delivered, thirty-five; prayer-meetings, forty; conversions, twenty-five; pastoral visits, one hundred; funerals, one; salary, $725

N. G. Newman: *Charges—Holy Neck and Berea, Nansemond County; sermons, sixty-one; prayer-meetings, several; conversions, sixty-five; pastoral visits, two hundred and eighty-six; funerals, seven; marriages, six; salary, $68446

W. W. Staley: Charge—Suffolk; sermons, one hundred; lectures and addresses, twenty; prayer-meetings, forty; pastoral visits, five hundred and sixty-four; funerals, twenty-two; marriages, twenty-six; salary, $1,200.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Pastors.	Secretaries And their Post Offices.	Present Membership.	Number Last Report.	Received Since.	Dismissed.	Withdrawn.	Died	Suspended or Expelled.	Paid Pastor.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Educational Fund.	Superannuated Fund.	Conference Fund.	Convention Fund.	Publishing House.	Other Purposes.	Total.
Antioch	H. H. Butler	N. B. Munford, Windsor	237	229	21	3	..	3	7	$ 200 00	$ 23 00	$ 10 00	$ 3 00	$ 2 00	$ 2 25	$ 1 48	$	$	$ 241 73
Barrett's.	J W. Harrell	J D. Pond, Airfield	137	150	3	1	1	2	12	34 80	8 00	7 00	5 00	1 00	2 00	2 00	64	.....	60 44
Berea (Norfolk)	M. W. Butler	M. W. Hollowell, Great Bridge	155	144	22	4	1	3	3	200 00	8 00	3 00	1 00	.....	1 00	1 00	.....	175 00	389 00
Berea (Nansemo'd)	N. G. Newman	F. M. Arthur, Deans	104	99	7	..	.	2		382 50	91 00	24 00	20 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	10 00	225 00	767 50
Berkley	M. W. Butler	S. M. Smith, Berkley	191	162	34	..	..	5		664 00	20 00	10 00	3 00	55	1 00	1 00		300 45	1,000 00
Bethany	J. W. Harrell	T J. Lawrence, South Quay	63	70	1	2	1	3	2	129 50	26 00	9 00	3 00	1 00	3 00	57	6 30	12 00	190 37
Bethlehem	H. H. Butler	J. W. Folk, Suffolk	333	324	11	1	...	1		200 00	32 00	20 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	85	.....	251 00	515 85
Burton's Grove	J. W. Harrell	E. W. Carroll, Wakefield	112	117	1	.	4	1	1	100 00	19 00	11 25	2 66	1 77	3 55	4 33		.....	140 56
Centerville	J W Harrell	R. M. Ferguson, Disputanta	36	32	10	..	..	2	4	30 50	4 00	6 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	43	.....	45 93
Cypress Chapel	H. H. Butler	A L Harrell, Cypress Chapel	2:9	304	.....		2	3	50	225 00	28 25	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	1 00	259 25
Damascus	H. H Butler	J. R. Corbett, Sunsbury, N. C.	278	259	26	1	...	2	4	200 00	25 00	3 00	4 00	1 00	2 00	2 00	....	.....	237 00
Eure's	J. T. Kitchen	W. M Sparkman, Eure, N. C.	164	170	4	.		3	3	125 00	2 00	....	.....	.....	1 00	.....		75 00	203 00
Franklin	W. S. Long	L. R. Jones, Franklin	46	50	.....		4	...	.....	150 00	13 00	10 00	5 00	3 00	5 00	4 00	4 60	50 00	244 60
Holland	W. S. Long	R. H Holland, Holland	239	236	7	3		1		175 00	16 00	6 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	205 00
Holy Neck	N. G Newman	J. T Rawls, Box Elder	446	479	33	3	.	11	3	301 96	95 00	30 00	20 00	5 00	10 00	5 00	.....	106 84	573 80
Isle of Wight C. H.	W. J. Laine	R. L. Spivey, Isle of Wight C. H.	85	82	9	1	1	2	2	87 35	10 23	3 00	2 00	1 00	2 00	.....	2 93	.....	108 51
Ivor*	.....	.....	..	....	.....		.	.	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.. ..	.....
Johnson's Grove	J W. Barrett	J W. Johnson, Aidyl	82	102	1	...	2	3	13	80 00	5 00	1 98	1 00	.....	...	.....	.....	... .	87 98
Liberty Spring	W. J. Laine	F E. Parker, Savage Crossing	203	207	1	1	..	3	1	150 00	27 00	6 00	4 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	2 00	70 00	264 00
Mt. Carmel	J. T. Kitchen	R. E. Turner, Windsor	188	190	3	1	1	1	2	145 80	20 00	3 00	3 00	50	2 54	1 00	.....	.....	175 84
Mt. Zion	J W. Barrett	G W. Haughwont, Crittenden	86	79	7	..	.		..	120 00	12 60	15 00	3 00	34	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	152 84
New Lebanon	J. W Barrett	O. V. Cockes, Sexton	83	79	4	.		...	....	100 00	6 00	8 00	4 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	.....	120 00	244 00
Norfolk	J. P. Barrett	J M. W. White, Norfolk	232	201	38	5	1	1		1,000 00	16 00	14 00	11 00	2 00	5 00	2 00	21 00	1,710 00	2,781 00
Oakland	W J. Laine	E C. Ramsay, Chuckatuck	149	150	7	2	2	4	.....	225 00	16 00	5 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	4 63	132 00	387 63
Providence	W S. Long	F. L. Portlock, Norfolk	59	78	2				21	400 00	51 00	19 00	15 00	3 00	8 00	4 00	.....	35 00	535 00
Sarem	.....	.....	24	...	.....	..	..	..		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Spring Hill	J. W. Harrell	C. C. Richardson, Dun	108	114	3	..	6	1	2	67 00	14 00	7 00	7 77	1 00	3 10	2 22	.....	.....	102 09
Suffolk	W. W. Staley	B. F. Cutchin, Suffolk	357	363	4	..	4	5	1	1,200 00	130 00	35 00	20 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	35 00	1,624 24	3,059 24
Union (Surry)	J. W. Barrett	C. W. Whitmore, Spring Grove	86	83	6	..	2	3	...	103 50	12 00	12 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	.....	.....	138 50
Union (South'ton)	J. T. Kitchen	J. I. Joyner, Isaac	113	118	.....			1	4	61 49	50	50	50	50	39	39	.....	91 83	156 10
Waverly	J. W. Harrell	R. T. West, Waverly	116	123	.....	4	1	2	.....	243 00	31 00	8 00	6 00	3 00	2 00	2 00	.....	.....	295 00
Windsor	W. J. Laine	F. C. Roberts, Windsor	56	54	10	1		...	7	100 00	13 86	2 76	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 38	.....	118 00
			4818	4848	275	33	33	68	142	$7201 40	$ 775 34	$ 290 49	$ 163 93	$51 66	$77 83	$51 84	$88 91	$ 4,979 36	$13,679 76

*No report. †Collection, Conference Fund, $1.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Western N. C. Christian Conference,

HELD AT

Pleasant Ridge Church.

Pleasant Ridge Church, Randolph County, N. C.,
November 17th, 1897.

The Western North Carolina Christian Conference met here to-day at 10 o'clock a. m., in its Fourth Annual Session, and was called to order by Rev. P. H. Fleming, President of last session. Rev. J. A. Webster conducted the opening religious services.

The following elders responded to roll call, as follows: Revs. C. A. Boone, J. R. Comer, P. H. Fleming, H. T. Moffitt, J. U. Newman, J. W. Patton, C. C. Peel, P. T. Way, J. A. Webster. Elders absent: Revs. J. S. Lawrence, E. H. Jarrell, J. W. Hatch, A. J. Cooper, H. A. Albright, W. W. Lawrence, J. W. Parker, J. A. Scott, S. H. Way.

The roll of churches was called, with the following responses:

Antioch (R.).—W. W. Brady, B. F. Brady.
Antioch (C.).—Eddie Oldham, Mattie Oldham.
Big Oak.—D. C. Lewis, H. Morgan.
Christian Union.—M. A. McNeill.
Center Grove.—T. J. Bland, L. D. Holland.
Graham.—J. N. H. Clendenin.
Grace Chapel.—J. H. Phillips.
Hank's Chapel.—W. S. Petty.
New Providence.—Jas. M. Turner, Mrs. W. H. Holt.
Patterson Grove.—J. M. Patterson, J. A. Ellison.

Pleasant Grove.—Wyatt Brady, John R. Welch.
Pleasant Cross.—E. J. V. Craven, C. M. Allred.
Pleasant Hill.—J. A. Fogleman, P. D. Teague.
Phillips Chapel.—D. W. Cox, M. E. Hammer.
Shiloh.—R. P. Siler.
Spoon's Chapel.—G. H. Kenney, W. H. Kenney.
Smithwood.—P. C. Humble.
Ramseur.—N. B. Gunter, T. A. Moffitt.

Churches not responding to roll call: Asheboro, Brown's Chapel, Burlington, Cumnock, High Point, Liberty, Mt. Union, New Center, Parke's Cross-Roads, Shady Grove, St. Johns, Union Grove, Macedonia, Zion, Keyser.

A quorum being present, Conference was permanently organized by the election of Rev. J. R. Comer as President, and brother James M. Turner as Assistant Secretary.

Conference then heard the reading of a very interesting letter from Rev. J. W. Hatch, who reported that age and bad health prevents his being present at this session.

The hour for the special order having arrived, Rev. Dr. J. U. Newman delivered the annual address. Subject: "The great problem—the one solution."—Text: Songs of Solomon, 4:16. The subject was presented in a very able and interesting manner. On motion, Conference extended to him a vote of thanks for same.

Revs. H. A. Albright, J. S. Lawrence and W. W. Lawrence arrived and were enrolled.

Delegates reported and were enrolled as follows:
Asheboro.—H. C. Rich, J. T. Moffitt.
Burlington.—Dr. E. A. Crawford, I. N. Walker.
Shady Grove.—Hiram Freeman, Geo. Cockran.
Union Grove.—J. N. Rich, E. C. Brown.
Parke's Cross-Roads.—H. O. Vestal.
Zion.—Minter Johnson.
Smithwood.—John Humble.
Brown's Chapel.—W. C. Saunders.
St. Johns.—A. P. Gaster.

On motion, Rev. M. L. Hurley, of the Eastern Virginia Conference, Revs. T. B. Dawson and W. T. Herndon, of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference,

Rev. G. R. Underwood, of the Eastern North Carolina Conference, Prof. E. L. Moffitt, editor of the "Christian Sun," Capt. J. A. Turrentine, and all the licentiates of this Conference, were invited to seats as deliberative members. These brethren accepted with appropriate remarks.

Conference then adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 1.30 p. m., Conference reassembled for business.

On motion, the annual church letters were called for and referred to brother Jas. M. Turner and Rev. J. W. Patton, who were constituted a Tabulating Committee for the purpose of preparing the statistics of the churches to be read before Conference, and for publication in the "Christians' Annual."

A committee was, on motion, appointed to nominate delegates to the next session of the Southern Christian Convention, which will meet with the Raleigh Christian church on Friday before the first Sunday in May, 1898. Committee: Revs. H. A. Albright, C. A. Boone and brother J. T. Moffitt.

Ministerial reports were called for and read.

The Executive Committee made its report, which was, on motion, adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

In place of Treasurer E. A. Moffitt, deceased, we elected Capt. James A. Turrentine, of Burlington, N. C.; and on April 7th, 1897, transferred to him the moneys received from the executor of the late E. A. Moffitt, as follows:

Home missions	$143.75
Foreign missions	92.18
Education Fund	14.85
Contingent Fund	12.31
Total	$263.09
Notes	142.20
Grand total	$405.29

And we took his receipt for the same and his bond duly executed.

J. U. NEWMAN,
P. H. FLEMING,
H. T. MOFFITT,
Committee.

Rev. P. H. Fleming, E. W. Brown and brother J. T. Moffitt were constituted an Auditing Committee to examine and approve all accounts presented to this body.

Brother J. A. Turrentine, Treasurer, offered his report, which was referred to the Auditing Committee.

J. A. TURRENTINE, *Treasurer,*

In account with the Western North Carolina Conference.

1897.		
Nov. 17.	To amount received from former Treasurer, cash	$ 263.09
	By amount paid out	159.20
	To balance on hand	$ 103.89
	HOME MISSIONS.	
	To received	143.75
	By amount paid out	68.75
	To balance	$ 75.00
	FOREIGN MISSIONS.	
	To received	92.18
	By paid out to J. A. Mills	90.00
	To balance	$ 2.18
	EDUCATION.	
	To amount received	14.85
	To amount on hand	14.85
	CONTINGENT FUND.	
	To amount received	12.31
	By amount paid out	45
	To balance	$ 11.86

Also the following notes:

Nov. 17.	L. I. Cox	$ 25.00
	Henry H. Casadey	35.00
	L. I. Cox	25.00
	W. D. Howard	35.00
	J. R. Comer	22.00
		$ 142.00

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. TURRENTINE, Treasurer.

Brother S. M. Holt, delegate from Hank's Chapel, arrived and was enrolled.

RESOLUTIONS OFFERED.

Whereas, It has been rumored that some of our churches have had unsolicited propositions made them, endeavoring to get and serve them as pastor and to remove the present one; and

Whereas, These offers have been made for much less than the present pastor is getting; and, furthermore, since giving is a Christian duty, and should be encouraged rather than spoken against; therefore be it

Resolved 1. That any minister who shall have such a base ideal of what a preacher of the Gospel should be as to go to any church in the absence of its pastor and to try to remove him that he might get the work himself, deserves the unvarnished censure of this body.

2. That any preacher who shall for two years during his ministry among us be guilty of visiting or writing any church or churches with a view to get the call as pastor by proposing to serve for any less than the present one is getting, his credentials shall be revoked.

J. W. PATTON,
C. C. PEEL,
J. A. TURRENTINE,
Committee.

The above preambles and resolutions were discussed very earnestly by Revs. J. W. Patton, C. C. Peel, W. T. Herndon, P. H. Fleming, H. A. Albright, M. L. Hurley, J. R. Comer, W. W. Lawrence, and brothers J. T. Moffitt and W. S. Petty, after which they were adopted without a dissenting vote.

The Committee on Foreign Missions made its report, which was discussed by Revs. C. C. Peel, J. A. Webster and brother L. E. Brady, and was adopted.

REPORT OF FOREIGN MISSION COMMITTEE.

Your Committee is glad to be able to report that our work in Japan is steadily increasing, both in number and interest. A report of the work July 1, 1897, shows six organized churches and twenty out-stations, with a membership of three hundred and nineteen. As the work increases more workers and more money are necessary. The increased condition of the work should cause such heart-felt thanks to flow out to the Giver of all Good, that our efforts shall so increase as to be commensurate with the needs of the work. With the promise that "the liberal soul shall be made fat" before us, let us come up to the Bible measure of duty.

We therefore recommend the following:

1. That we make the work of foreign missions the subject of prayer, as well as the subject of support.
2. That our people procure and read our literature on missions.
3. That each church set apart one day as "missionary day," with suitable services.
4. That each church raise an amount of not less than ten cents per member for foreign missions during the coming year.
5. That the Secretary of this body draw an order on our Treasurer

in favor of J. A. Mills, of Raleigh, N. C., Treasurer of the Southern Christian Convention, for the amount in hand for foreign missions.

C. C. PEEL,
J. W. PARKER,
J. A. WEBSTER,
Committee.

Capt. J. A. Turrentine, of Burlington, N. C., was elected Treasurer of this Conference in place of the late E. A. Moffitt, deceased.

The following resolution was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That this Conference purchase a Record Book for the Secretary, and that the proceedings of this Conference since its organization be recorded in said book, and that in future all proceedings of this Conference be recorded in said book by the Secretary.

J. U. NEWMAN,
P. H. FLEMING,
Committee.

By motion, the Secretary was allowed five dollars ($5.00) for copying minutes as required by the above resolution.

On motion, Conference adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock. By request of the President, Rev. L. I. Cox led in prayer.

Read before and approved by Conference on the 18th of November, 1897, as our signatures hereunto affixed do certify.

SECOND DAY.

November 18th.

Conference met at 10 o'clock a. m., and, in the absence of the President, was called to order by the Secretary. Rev. C. C. Peel conducted religious services.

The President arrived and took the chair.

Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Following enrollment of delegates was made:

Liberty.—O. T. Hatch.

Egypt.—Mrs. Wm. S. Gunter.

Christian Union.—J. A. Dunlap.

By motion, the Secretary of this body was instructed to purchase the record book for his office provided for in yesterday's proceedings, and to draw on the Treasurer for payment of the same.

Rev. Rufus P. King, of the Friends Church, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member. He was then introduced to the Conference by the President, and, in accepting the invitation, bore the fraternal greetings of his church to this body.

The Committee on Religious Literature offered its report. After being discussed by Prof. E. L. Moffitt, editor of the "Christian Sun," and Revs. M. L. Hurley, W. T. Herndon and C. C. Peel, it was unanimously adopted.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

The progress of any church to a great extent, depends upon the enlightenment of its memership. The church without a literature that is disiminated and read is always loosely bound together, and slow to take part in the great movements of Christianity. We recognize the fact, that the Christian Church needs more literature emphasizing what we are and what we stand for, in order to the greatest degree of advancement; therefore be it

Resolved 1. That pastors and people do all in their power to disseminate more widely "Our Principles and Government," "Facing the Truth," by Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., "Christians Not Disciples," by Rev. M. L. Hurley; "The Origin, Government and Principles of the Christian Church," by Prof. E. L. Moffitt, editor of the "Christian Sun," and published under the auspices of the Christian Missionary Association, together with all other books that tend to the enforcement of our principles.

2. That we most heartily endorse the "Christian Sun" as our church organ, and urge upon our ministers and laymen the duty and necessity of doing personal work for its extended circulation, and that each pastor in this Conference be expected to state in his annual report the number of families in his churches, and also the number of families taking the "Christian Sun."

3. That we endorse the "Herald of Gospel Liberty," "The Christian Missionary," and our Sunday School literature published at Dayton, Ohio.

4. That our pastors preach at least one sermon a year in each of their churches on the distinctive principles of the Christian Church.

J. W. PATTON,
P. T. WAY,
E. L. MOFFITT,
Committee.

On motion, the Conference decided to hold its next annual session with the church at Center Grove, Chatham county.

Prof. E. L. Moffitt was elected to deliver the next annual address, with W. H. Carroll, Esq., of Burlington, N. C., as alternate.

Brother J. T. Moffitt was appointed to collect money for the publication of the proceedings of this body in the "Christian Annual."

Conference adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met for business at 1 o'clock p. m.

The Committee on Sunday Schools made its report, which was discussed by Rev. J. R. Comer, brothers W. S. Petty, L. E. Brady and Capt. J. A. Turrentine, and was adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We believe that the Sunday School work is one of the means in the hands of the Master to bring souls into His peaceful fold; and that no church can possibly enjoy that spiritual life and growth that is necessary to Christian development without manifesting a proper interest in the Sunday School work. Therefore, be it

Resolved 1. That we do all in our power to stimulate an interest in this work.

2. That the Sunday School Convention is worthy of our attendance and support.

3. That we use our own literature, published at Dayton, Ohio.

4. That the Superintendent of each Sunday School have a collection taken every Sunday, and that he use his influence to raise one cent per member every Sunday.

J. R. COMER,
L. E. BRADY,
B. F. KERNS,
Committee.

Prof. E. L. Moffitt presented a bill to the amount of $3.50, which was referred to the Auditing Committee.

Rev. P. H. Fleming was elected to bear the fraternal greetings of this body to the next yearly meeting of the Friends at High Point, on Wednesday before the second Sunday in next August.

The Committee on Home Missions offered its report, which, after being discussed by Revs. J. W. Patton, C. C. Peel, W. T. Herndon and Rufus P. King, was adopted.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The church of Christ, of which this body professes to be a part, is missionary in spirit. Domestic possibilities for the spread of the

Gospel lie open before the Christian church, as, possibly, never before. Good places are calling for help that they may accomplish good and grow sufficiently strong to aid other points in return. But owing to the small amounts coming into the treasury of this Conference from the churches composing it, we have not been able to meet fully the Macedonian cry. We would, therefore, through the ministry, appeal to the churches for more liberal contributions. We recommend that the churches raise the same amounts asked for by last Conference.

During the past year Rev. M. L. Hurley has served the church at Ramseur; Rev. J. W. Patton at Ashboro; Rev. P. H. Fleming a part of the year, and Rev. W. C. Wicker the remainder at Graham, and Rev. P. T. Klapp one night in the week of each month, and fifth Sundays at High Point. So far as we know, the prospects for self-supporting churches at these points are good, except High Point which Rev. P. T. Klapp reports must have regular Sunday services by an energetic man, who should be located there.

We recommend the following amounts to be given to the churches named below to aid them in securing a pastor for the ensuing year:

Asheboro (Rev. J. U. Newman, pastor), $25; Graham (Rev. W. C. Wicker, pastor), 25; Keyser (Rev. G. R. Underwood, pastor), $25; Ramseur (Rev. M. L. Hurley, pastor), $40.

We recommend that the Executive Committee look after the church property at Winder, Mount Pleasant, Staley and High Point.

We ask that a missionary society be organized in each of our churches, and that the proceeds go to the various Conference solicitations.

We recommend that ministers receiving aid from the Home Mission fund report quarterly to the Chairman of said committee the work done; and that when such report shall have been approved by him, he shall instruct the Secretary of this Conference to draw an order on the treasury for payment of same out of the Home Mission fund.

We recommend further, that this Conference take at least one membership in the Christian Missionary Association, and that all persons, who can, take individual membership.

J. W. PATTON,
C. C. PEEL,
P. H. FLEMING,
J. S. LAWRENCE,
Committee.

Prof. E. L. Moffitt was elected to represent the one membership taken by this Conference in the Christian Missionary Association, and the Secretary was authorized to draw an order on the treasury to the amount of $10, to pay said membership fee.

The Committee on Education submitted its report. On motion, the report was left pending, and Conference adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock. The congregation was led in prayer by Rev. H. A. Albright.

Read before Conference and approved as corrected, as our signatures will certify.

THIRD DAY.

November 19th.

At 10 o'clock a. m., the President called the Conference to order, and devotional services were led by Rev. Dr. J. U. Newman.

The roll was called, after which the proceedings of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

Rev. W. S. Long, D.D., of the Eastern Conference, was invited to a deliberative member's seat, and, in accepting, bore the fraternal greetings of that body to this Conference.

Brother Oscar Lawrence, delegate from New Center, and Rev. S. H. Way reported and were enrolled.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to draw an order on the treasury for $10, in favor of Rev. W. T. Herndon, Financial Agent of the Christian Missionary Association, to pay the fee for the one membership taken in that body by this Conference.

Rev. Jas. Harvey, of the Friends, was invited to deliberate with us, and was introduced to the body.

The Report of the Committee on Education, left pending yesterday, was taken up, and after being re-read, was discussed by Rev. Dr. J. U. Newman, Rev. Dr. W. S. Long, Rev. H. A. Albright and Prof. E. L. Moffitt, and was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

The Bible is God's revelation of religious truth to man. The Christian Church accepts that as its standard. Then no means must be left unused which will prepare man to understand and explain its teachings. To be the vehicle of this revelation to the souls of men, the churches' highest faculties of head and heart must be developed. To this end many of our most consecrated ministers and laymen are not only studying to show themselves approved of God, workmen who need not to be ashamed, but have given freely of their means and labors to establish a centre of Christian culture for the church of their love. Elon College is the child of this consecrated devotion. In seven years it has attained a commanding influence in educational circles, graduating thirty-nine, nine of whom are ministers. The success and usefulness of its alumni justify the claims and expectations of its founders and supporters. It asks the continued support of our sympathy, prayers, patronage, and financial help; and in return promises the church men and women of culture, refinement and Christian activity.

2. The interest of the church demands the establishment of academies and high schools, convenient of access, in our local Conferences.

3. That the Educational Committee select and publish a list of books for the intelligent study of the course required of our young ministers.

4. That each member of the Biblical Class be required to report for examination the night preceding the meeting of each annual Conference; and that two absences, without excuse, shall forfeit his membership in said class.

5. For ministers who cannot attend college we recommend the Christian Correspondence College, Dr. Martin Summerbell, President, Lewiston, Maine.

6. That the assessments be the same as last year.

7. Licentiates L. I. Cox, B. F. Kerns and M. E. Hammer met the Committee for advice. Their ministerial work has been very acceptable to the churches served. Their efforts and willingness to better prepare themselves for the ministry deserve encouragement. They will pursue the course of study prescribed by our General Convention.

8. Bro. T. E. White is successfully pursuing his studies at Elon College. We recommend that Conference loan him twenty-five dollars, and instruct its Secretary to draw an order on the Treasurer in favor of Bro. White, and take his note for same.

9. Bro. R. K. Brady is teaching near Durham, N. C.

J. U. NEWMAN,
P. H. FLEMING,
C. C. PEEL,
H. A. ALBRIGHT,
Committee.

Conference adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 1 o'clock p. m. Conference met.

The Secretary presented an account to the amount of $2.00, which was referred to the Auditing Committee.

The Auditing Committee made its report, which was adopted.

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We have examined the Treasurer's report, books and vouchers, and find the same correct.

We have also examined the bill from Prof. E. L. Moffitt, amounting to $3.50, and the one from the Secretary, amounting to $2, and recommend that they be paid.

We find that the Treasurer, J. A. Turrentine, has expended the sum of forty-five cents for book and postage for his office, and we recommend that same be paid. He has charged no commissions up to date.

We find on Treasurer's books certain notes due the Conference. Some action should be taken by the Conference looking to the collection of same.

P. H. FLEMING,
E. W. BROWN,
J. T. MOFFITT,
Committee.

The Committee appointed to nominate delegates to the Southern Christian Convention offered the following report, which was adopted:

We, your Committee appointed to nominate delegates to the next session of the General Convention of the Christian Church, South, name the following brethren:

Elders—P. H. Fleming, C. C. Peel, J. R. Comer.

Laymen—Capt. W. H. Turrentine, E. L. Moffitt, S. M. Holt, Prof. W. P. Lawrence.

H. A. ALBRIGHT,
C. A. BOONE,
J. T. MOFFITT,
Committee.

On motion, the following alternates were elected: Revs. J. W. Patton, P. T. Way, and brothers J. W. Harden and John R. Foster.

The Committee on Moral Reform reported.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

Your Committee on Moral Reform report:

1. The declaration that drunkenness excludes mankind from Heaven, ought to be good reason for every Christian being in favor of temperance. Gal. v. 21.

2. And the fact that God, in His Word, says, "Do not drink wine nor strong drink, thou nor thy sons with thee, when ye go into the tabernacle of the congregation, lest ye die," should be sufficient reason for church prohibition and total abstinence from all intoxicants. Lev. x. 9.

3. And the fact that, "Woe is unto him that giveth his neighbor drink, that putteth thy bottle to him, and maketh him drunken also; and men of strength to mingle strong drink," ought to be sufficient reason for every member of the church to refuse to manufacture, sell, give away or drink; give countenance, or encouragement thereto. Heb. ii. 15; Isa. v. 22.

Therefore, we recommend that we condemn the practice of making, selling, giving, and drinking strong drink as a beverage, as unchristian, to say the least of it.

That card-playing, dancing, games of chance, and Sabbath desecration are potent agencies against good morals, and fearfully clog the wheels of moral reform.

We further recommend that the pulpit be clear and plain against anything that retards moral reform; and that lessons of temperance and of any other phase of moral reform, be taught and instilled in

the minds of our children arround the fireside and in the Sabbath School.

We also recommend that unfermented wine be used in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. ALBRIGHT,
W. W. LAWRENCE,
S. H. WAY,
Committee.

The above report was discussed by Revs. H. A. Albright, S. H. Way, W. S. Long, D.D., and Dr. E. A. Crawford, and was unanimously adopted.

Brother J. T. Moffitt reported that he had collected $23.50 for "Annuals."

Secretary was allowed $5.00 for his services at this session, and was authorized to draw on the treasury for the same.

Resolved, That notes of young ministers who have received loans from this Conference shall be due two years from date of leaving school.

Resolved further, That the Treasurer be instructed to collect notes of those who have been two years out of school, and also those who have left the church.

The above resolutions were adopted.

Resolved, That we borrow $16.50 from the Home Mission fund, balance due for the publication of our Minutes in the Christians' Annual, and that the Secretary draw an order on the treasury for the amount in favor of the publisher, E. L. Moffitt.

Resolved further, That the Annuals paid for out of this fund shall be sent by the publisher to the Secretaries of all of the churches, according to pro rata membership, and that these Annauls be sold and the moneys received from such sales be turned over to the Treasurer of this Conference.

Adopted.

Conference then went into the election of fraternal messengers, with the following results: To the Valley of Virginia Conference, Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Rev. P. H. Fleming; to North Carolina and Virginia Conference, Revs. C. C. Peel, L. I. Cox; to Eastern North Carolina Conference, Revs. H. A. Albright, P. H. Fleming; to Eastern Virginia Conference, Rev. Dr. J. U. Newman, Prof. E. L. Moffitt; to Georgia and Alabama Conference, Prof. E. L. Moffitt.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference are due and are hereby tendered the people of this church and community for the hospitable manner in which they have entertained the members of this body.

The above resolution was adopted.

On motion, Prof. E. L. Moffitt was instructed to purchase a seal for this Conference and turn same over to the Secretary, and that when the bill for same shall have been approved by the Executive Committee, the Secretary shall draw on the treasury for the same in favor of Prof. Moffitt.

The President announced the following standing committees:

Executive.—Revs. H. A. Albright, H. T. Moffitt, P. H. Fleming.

Sunday Schools.—Rev. W. W. Lawrence, brother L. E. Brady, Rev. B. F. Kerns.

Moral Reform.—Revs. L. I. Cox, H. A. Albright, S. H. Way.

Foreign Missions.—Revs. C. C. Peel, J. W. Patton, J. A. Webster.

Education.—Revs. J. U. Newman, H. A. Albright, P. H. Fleming, J. S. Lawrence.

Religious Literature.—Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Revs. P. T. Way, J. W. Patton.

Home Missions.—Revs. P. H. Fleming, J. S. Lawrence, C. C. Peel.

Rev. C. C. Peel was, on motion, added to the Committee on Education.

Proceedings of to-day were read and approved.

On motion, Conference adjourned to meet with the church at Center Grove, Chatham county, on Tuesday after the second Sunday in November, 1898.

J. R. COMER, President,
Spencer, N. C.

P. T. WAY, Secretary,
Durham, N. C.

JAS. M. TURNER, Assistant Secretary,
Graham, N. C.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	SECRETARIES AND POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	Number Last Report.	Received Since.	Dismissed.	Withdrawn.	Died.	Suspended.	Present Membership.	Paid Pastor.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Superannuated Fund.	Conference.	Convention Fund.	Other Purposes.	Total.	Value of Church Property.	Number in Sunday Schools.	Amount Raised by Sunday Schools.
Antioch (R)	J. R. Comer	John Fox, Erect	30	2					32	$ 12.00	$ 20	$ 2.00	$	$	$	$	$ 3.00	$ 17.20	$ 400.00	40	$
Asheboro	J. W. Pa ton	T. J. Moffitt, Ashboro	30	2	1		3		29	100.00	6.00	3.50					22.60		2,000.00	41	21.60
Antioch (C)	M. E. Hammer	D. W. McIver, Goldston	84	4	1	1	3		84	27.00	1.04	1.04					20.00	43 08	200.00	67	
Brown's Chapel	J. S. Lawrence	W. L. Brewer, Spencer	125						114	15.85	50								400.00		
Big Oak	J. R. Comer	J. M. Sheffield, Big Oak	75		6			2	67	25.00	1.03	2.00									
Burlington	P. H. Fleming	I. A. Horn, Burlington	163	15		3	3		172	314.85	25.00	16.30	7.00		1.24		600.00	1,052.11	6,000.00	156	87.72
Christian Union		Wm. Cogle, Why Not	89	2	2	1	1		85	4.60									2,000.00		
Center Grove	A. P. Barbee	T. J. Bland, Rosewood	42	1			1		43	40.00	3.57	4.00			43		8.00		750.00	37	4.05
Egypt	A. P. Barbee	W. H. Gunter, Cumnock	30			3		1	34		67	67			34					53	
Graham	W. C. Wicker	J. D. Kernodle, Graham	22	1					23	100.00	5.00	1.56	2.00					108.54	1,500.00	30	7.00
Grace Chapel	A. P. Barbee	L. A. Spivey, Lemon Springs	82	13		3	1	1	90	50.00	3.00	5.00			50		3.15		600.00	67	4.00
High Point	P. T. Klapp	W. H Gurley, High Point	58						12		40	60			27				1,500.00		
Hanks Chapel	G. R. Underwood	Artemus Hatch, Pittsboro		6	1	1		5	143	88.10	3.54	3.53	52		96					53	
Liberty	J. W. Patton	C. C. Hatch, Liberty	32	4	4		3		29	37.75	2.03	1.24			42		50		400.00	35	10.00
Mt. Union																					
New Center		E. E. McNeal, Why Not	81				4		77										400.00	30	
New Providence	B. F. Black	J. M. Turner, Graham	235	2	3		1	125	108	109.50	15.00	5.00	3.00		1.48		67.16	200.64	3,000.00	38	23.00
Park's X Roads	J. W. Parker	R. W. York, Ramseur	104			4	1		99	60.00	2.00	2.00	1.62						800.00	57	4.00
Patterson Grove	H. A. Albright	J. A. Ellison, Franklinsville	49	3	1			10	41	18.54	1.50	1.50							600.00	80	4.25
Pleasant Grove	M. E. Hammer	A. L. Brady, Cheeks	225	24		2	3		244	46.25	2.56	2.50	1.25				2.00		900.00	50	50
Pleasant Cross	J. W. Parker	J. A. Henson, Central Falls	32	2	1	1	2	1	30	16.43									300.00		
Pleasant Ridge	J. R. Comer	W. E. Allred, Ramseur	123	2	1	5			122	35.00	60	1.85	45						800.00	82	
Pleasant Hill	M. L. Hurley	S. T. Pike	122	12	1				133	83.00	10.73								1,000 00	63	12.00
Phillip's Chapel		D. W. Cox, Harper's X Roads	26						26												
Shiloh		B. S. Moffitt, Moffitt	152		1	3	2		146	37.50	2.00	2.10							500.00	50	5.00
Spoon's Chapel	B. F. Kerns	G. H. Kinney, Asheboro	31	7					38	14.00	37	91					2.75	18 05	200.00	60	1.56
Smithwood	J. W. Patton	P. D. Reitzel, Liberty	73	2		1		10	64	39.88	2.71	1.04			27					70	5.20
Shady Grove	J. S Lawrence	Hiram Freeman, Ethern	91						91	25.00	1.36	1.50	39				45.00		1,000.00	119	
St. John	J. W. Parker	G. A. Lambe, Randleman	76	42		3	1	2	112	75.00	2.00	3.00	1.00						500.00	125	12.00
Ramseur	M. L. Hurley	J. A. Parks, Ramseur	30						30	35.96	1.00	1.00							80.00	45	8.00
Union Grove	J. S. Lawrence	E. L. Brown, Empire	83			1	1	1	80	41.80		1.25			19					61	
Macedonia																					
Zion	G. R. Underwood	J. A. Kelly, Osgood	214	9	2		4	15	202	90.00	6.20	6.30			1.00		1.90		800.00	83	6.00
Keyser	G. R. Underwood	John Campbell, Keyser		10					23	16.00							16.00		1,000.00	39	15.00
Clover Orchard																					

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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

SEVENTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

N. C. and Virginia Christian Conference,

HELD AT

Lebanon Church, Semora, Caswell County, N. C.

FIRST DAY.—TUESDAY.

Lebanon Church, Semora, Caswell Co., N. C.,
November 23d, 1897.

The North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference was called to order with Lebanon Church to-day, by Rev. P. T. Klapp. Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. P. T. Klapp, participated in by a number of others.

The following Elders answered to roll-call: Revs. Solomon Apple, J. O. Atkinson, T. B. Dawson, W. T. Herndon, J. W. Holt, P. T. Klapp, T. W. Strowd, J. W. Wellons. Licentiates: J. S. Carden, J. W. Fonville.

Lay delegates:

Apple's Chapel.—Zachariah Chrisman, Jos. Michael.

Bethlehem.—W. H. Gilliam, C. M. Pritchett, F. A. Kernodle, H. D. Gilliam.

Bethel.—A. A. Baynes, W, H. Pettigrew.

Belew's Creek.—Not represented.

Big Falls.—W. T. Walters.

Concord.—Daniel Garrison.

Durham.—E. P. Honeycutt, R. D. Neatherly.

Elon College.—S. A. Holleman, Mrs. Annie Holleman.

Goshen Chapel.—Not represented.

Hine's Chapel.—Miss Fannie Walker, Ed. Walker.
Haw River.—Not represented.
Happy Home.—T. S. Evans, P. P. Foster.
Hebron—J. H. Yancey, J. W. Winfree.
Howard's Chapel.—W. B. Madison, J. W. Fagg.
Ingram.—J. W. Carleton.
Kallam Grove.—Not represented.
Lebanon.—J. M. Smith, W. A. Hinton.
Lexington.—Not represented.
Long's Chapel.—William Strader, H. C. King.
Mt. Bethel.—J. T. McCollum, T. J. Simpson.
Mt. Zion.—Not represented.
Pleasant Grove.—D. S. Farmer, J. H. Boyd.
Pleasant Ridge.—Not represented.
Salem Chapel.—Dr. J. H. Haizlip.
Sage Garden.—Not represented.
Shallow Ford.—J. T. Cobb, L. T. Barber.
South Boston.—Not represented.
Union, N. C.—R. C. Dickey, J. S. Foster, R. W. Fitch.
Union, Va.—L. L. Elliott, R. L. Elliott.

Rev. P. T. Klapp was chosen President, and W. L. Taylor Assistant Secretary.

On motion, Rufus King, of the Society of Friends, and the following visiting ministers were invited to seats in Conference as deliberative members: W. S. Long, C. C. Peel, J. W. Patton, M. L. Hurley, brother S. L. Adams and E. L. Moffitt, editor of the "Christian Sun." These brethren offered fraternal greetings.

An address of welcome was delivered by Rev. S. Apple, and was responded to by Rev. J. O. Atkinson.

On motion, Rev. S. Apple and the delegates from Lebanon were appointed a Committee on Religious Exercises.

Vacancies were filled in committees as follows:
Home Missions.—Rev. J. O. Atkinson.
Moral Reform.—J. W. Holt.
Religious Literature.—S. A. Holleman.
Foreign Missions.—Rev. P. T. Klapp.

The annual address was then delivered by Rev. J. W. Holt, from Acts 8:3.

On motion, Conference took a recess for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference convened, the President in the chair.

Several delegates were enrolled.

Church letters were called for.

On motion, Rev. L. I. Cox, of the Western North Carolina Conference, was invited to a seat in the Conference.

The Committee on Religious Exercises reported Rev. M. L. Hurley to preach to-night at 7 o'clock p. m.; Rev. J. O. Atkinson to preach to-morrow at 11.30 a. m.

A letter from the Secretary of the Christian Missionary Association was read by the Secretary.

On motion, Rev. W. T. Herndon was given thirty minutes to present the claims of the Association.

The reading of church letters was called for, and, pending the reading, Conference adjourned until 9.30 a. m. to-morrow. Prayer by Rev. W. S. Long.

SECOND DAY.

November 24th, 1897.

Conference called to order by the President. Religious exercises by Rev. J. W. Wellons.

Roll called and minutes of first day read and approved.

Reading of church letters, pending at the time of adjournment, was resumed.

Report of the Committee on Religious Literature was submitted, and pending discussion was laid on the table until after special order.

Rev. J. O. Atkinson preached from Eph. 2:14.

Report taken from the table and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Religious literature being essential to the intellectual and spiritual welfare of the church, we recommend with emphasis:

1. The reading of the "Christian Sun," and that the attention of pastors be called to the fact that they are expected either to act themselves or select some one capable in each church to solicit subscriptions and report the result at the Annual Conference, and fur-

ther, to state the number of families in each church who do not take it.

2. That our people be urged to take the "Herald of Gospel Liberty" and especially the "Christian Missionary."

3. That pastors encourage our people to do more general religious reading, especially mentioning the religious books edited and published by our ablest writers.

Respectfully submitted,

W. T. HERNDON,
T. B. DAWSON,
S. A. HOLLEMAN.
Committee.

On motion, J. T. Cobb was appointed to receive subscriptions to the "Christians' Annual."

On motion of S. A. Holleman, J. W. Carleton, T. B. Dawson, were appointed to receive invitations for next annual session of the Conference.

On motion, a committee of three was appointed to nominate delegates to the Southern Christian Convention: Sol. Apple, T. B. Dawson, P. P. Foster, Committee.

Conference took a recess for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President in the chair.

On motion, Rev. B. E. Stanfield, of the M. E. Church, South, was invited to a seat in Conference.

Committee on Education reported, and after discussion, adopted as follows.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

In this age of culture and intellectual growth, we deem an educated ministry, about which your Committee is especially concerned, absolutely essential to efficiency and usefulness.

We endorse Elon College and the educational advantages there offered as worthy of our support and patronage, and deem the course there given well adapted to the preparation of laity and ministry for the active duties of life.

Licentiate J. S. Carden appeared before us and asked for ordination from this Conference. We were unable to recommend the ordination.

Mr. G. W. Tickle, member of the Biblical Class, now a student in his senior year at Elon College, asks the Conference to license him to preach the gospel after he shall have finished his course in college and passed the required examination. We recommend that the request be granted.

Mr. Willie Walters, Biblical student, desires to pursue his studies in college. He needs financial aid. We recommend a loan of fifty dollars for the remainder of this scholastic year.

Brethren Eddie French and Warner Lee Wells express a desire to become members of the Biblical Class. We recommend their admittance to the same, and advise them to pursue their studies with diligence and enter school as soon as possible.

Brethren J. W. Barnes and W. A. Rogers, of Texas, having failed to report of their work or whereabouts for several successive years, we recommend that their license be revoked.

We recommend the same for assessment for education as that of last year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. O. ATKINSON,
J. W. WELLONS,
P. T. KLAPP,
Committee.

Report on Moral Reform was offered and discussed, after which it was adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON MORAL REFORM.

Intemperance, or the drink habit, is the greatest enemy of mankind. It has robbed more homes and saddened more hearts than any other one evil.

Resolved, That it is wrong to induce a man to do a thing and then punish him for doing it. It is wrong to license a business and then imprison, fine and punish the customers. It is wrong to tax the people to take care of paupers, and at the same time license a business that makes paupers. It is wrong to educate the heart, the mind and the soul for God, and at the same time educate the heart, the mind and the soul for Satan. It is wrong to teach virtue, morality and religion, and at the same time teach immorality, vice and sin. It is the duty of every good man to do all in his power to teach virtue, morality and religion, both by example and precept.

THOS. W. STROWD,
J. W. HOLT,
Committee.

On motion, Conference adjourned until 9 o'clock a. m. to-morrow. Prayer by Rev. J. W. Patton.

THIRD DAY.

November 25th, 1897.

Conference called to order by the President. Religious exercises by E. L. Moffitt.

Roll called and minutes of second day read and approved.

The report of the Committee on Sunday Schools was read and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We think the Sunday Schools need to be noticed more by the several churches, being, as they are, one of the most fertile fields of labor. They grow to be monotonous by being uniform.

We therefore recommend—

1. That the selection of teachers be always from the local church membership, and be made with a view of inspiring interest and variety of class work, not neglecting the pious influence and promptness in the person selected.

2. That teachers especially provide themselves with suitable class helps beyond the usual Quarterlies. Among these we mention Arnold's Commentary, published at Dayton, Ohio, and Peloubet's Notes, published at Boston, Mass., as specially adapted to the needs of the teacher.

3. That students and teachers do not rely so much upon the Quarterly to the partial neglect of the Bible itself. We think this item is detracting from a thorough study of the Scriptures by many of our well-meaning students.

4. That every school use our own publications, which are as good as the best and worthy the hearty endorsement of any Sabbath School.

5. That more attention be given to the primary classes by procuring picture lesson cards each week in advance, and by giving them special direction in vocal music. The primary teacher is possibly the most responsible teacher in the school, and should be a person naturally qualified as well as pious.

6. That the pastor, while exercising a general supervision, should not be expected to teach a class, but rather organize a teachers' class for uniformity and thoroughness in the work.

7. That penny contributions be diligently urged, as conducive to the training in giving, which needs to be systematic to be effective. No organization can live without some funds, and the children should especially consider their giving an essential feature in their religious training.

Respectfully submitted,

T. B. DAWSON,
L. H. YANCEY,
S. A. HOLLEMAN,
Committee.

Upon petition, a new church at Bason, N. C., was admitted into Conference.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved 1. That the churches of this Conference be requested to send up to next annual session two cents per member for a superannuated fund.

Resolved 2. That Conference to-day take up a collection, and place the amount raised in the hands of Bro. Joseph A. Foster, Semora, N. C., to use for the immediate benefit of Rev. Solomon Apple. Amount of collection, $12.04.

The following was adopted:

Resolved, That this Conference ask the General Convention at its coming session to petition the Congress of the United States to have all trains and steam-boats stopped on the Sabbath

The Committee to nominate delegates to the General Convention, reported the following, which was adopted:

DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Delegates to the General Convention—Revs. J. W. Holt, J. W. Wellons, W. T. Herndon, J. O. Atkinson.

Alternates—Revs. P. T. Klapp, T. W. Strowd, S. B. Klapp, T. B. Dawson.

Lay Delegates—J. W. Carlton, Dr. G. W. Watson, S. A. Holleman, Dr. G. W. Kernodle.

Alternates—E. T. Pierce, G. R. Maynard, J. T. Cobb, W. D. Wall.

SOLOMON APPLE,
T. B. DAWSON,
P. P. FOSTER,
Committee.

The report on Foreign Missions was, after discussion, adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

So far our missionary efforts in the foreign field have been confined to Japan. In that field we now have five missionaries (two men and three women), eight native pastors, four ordained and four unordained, and two Bible women. We have six organized churches (three hundred and seventeen members), twelve Sunday Schools, with seven hundred and forty pupils; three day schools, with one hundred and ten pupils; one theological school, with eight students. This shows a net gain for the past year of one Bible woman, two theological students, two ordained native preachers, one organized church, sixty church members, three Sunday Schools, and three hundred and eighty-six Sunday School scholars.

We deem this encouraging from the amount contributed to and force engaged in the work. Japan is at this time a very hopeful field for missionary work, and we deplore the fact of our doing so little when our responsibility seems so great. This Conference this year contributes $177.60.

We recommend—

1. That each church of this Conference be required, as heretofore, to hold a missionary service during the year.

2. That some one be elected at this session of Conference to deliver a sermon or an address on the subject of "Foreign Missions," before the Conference at its next annual session.

3. That we heartily recommend the "Christian Missionary," published at Dayton, Ohio, by Rev. J. C. Bishop (price fifty cents per year), as worthy of our study and support.

4. That the members of each church of this Conference be assessed not less than ten cents per member for our foreign mission work.

5. That we earnestly pray God, "the Giver of every good and perfect gift," to give us more consecrated men and women for the foreign field.

J. O. ATKINSON,
S. A. HOLLEMAN,
P. T. KLAPP,
W. T. HERNDON,
Committee.

On motion, Conference entered into a thanksgiving service, conducted by Rev. W. S. Long. The collection went to the benefit of Rev. Sol. Apple.

On motion, S. A. Holleman, J. T. Cobb and D. S. Farmer were appointed a Committee on Finance.

Conference took a recess for three-quarters of an hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order.

Rev. J. O. Atkinson was appointed to deliver the missionary sermon at the next session of Conference.

On motion, the Secretary was directed to have the deed of Bason church recorded and file it with the Treasurer of Conference, and the same for Big Falls.

Dr. W. T. Herndon was appointed to deliver the next annual sermon, with J. O. Atkinson as his alternate.

Ministerial reports were called for and read.

Treasurer's report was adopted, with the following report of the Committee on Finance:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Finance Committee beg leave to report:

That we have examined the Treasurer's report and find the same correct, with the proper vouchers, except one note of $10, against Bro. J. S. Carden.

We recommend that in the future the report of the Educational Committee comprise the details of expenditures and receipts pertaining to loans made ministerial students.

Respectfully submitted,

S. A. HOLLEMAN,
D. S. FARMER,
J. T. COBB,
Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

T. W. STROUD, *in account with the*
N. C. and Virginia Christian Conference:

HOME MISSIONS.

		Dr.	Cr.
1896.			
Nov. 19.	To cash	$ 284 81	
	By cash paid P. T. Klapp for Big Falls Church		$ 47 64
1897.			
Mar. 21.	By cash paid W. C. Wicker		6 25
1.	J. W. Wellons		31 25
	L. I. Cox		6 25
28.	L. I. Cox		6 25
	J. W. Wellons		31 25
	W. C. Wicker		6 25
Sept. 17.	W. D. Harward		6 25
	J. W. Wellons		31 25
	L. I. Cox		6 25
Nov. 24.	Treasurer's Coms., 1½ per cent.		3 55
	L. I. Cox		6 25
	W. D. Harward		6 25
	J. W. Wellons		31 25
	By cash to balance		58 62
		$ 284 81	$ 284 81
25.	To cash on hand	58 62	
	received	196 04	
	error, 1895	1 00	
		$ 255 66	

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

		Dr.	Cr.
1896.			
Nov. 19.	To cash	$ 95 32	
30.	By cash paid J. O. Atkinson for Willis Walters		$ 10 00
	By cash paid J. O. Atkinson for J. S. Carden		40 00
1897.			
Nov. 25.	By cash paid Treas. Coms., 1½ per cent.		1 43
	To cash returned for J. S. Carden	30 00	
	To cash of W. T. Walters	10 00	
	By cash to balance		83 89
		$ 125 32	$ 125 32
1897.			
Nov. 26.	To cash on hand	83 89	
	To cash received	84 85	
		$ 168 74	

NOTES ON HAND.

1897.			
Nov.	To note W. C. Wicker	$ 50 00	
	W. D. Harward	50 00	
	G. C. Wadford	25 00	
	Henry Cassaday	30 00	
	J. S. Carden	40 00	
	J. S. Carden	10 00	
	By notes to balance		$ 205 00
		$ 205 00	$ 205 00

FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

1896.			
Nov. 19.	To cash	$ 196 64	
24.	By cash paid J. A. Mills		$ 193 69
	Treas. Coms. 1½ per cent.		2 95
		$ 196 64	$ 196 64
1897.			
Nov. 25.	To cash received at Conference	182 30	

CHURCH EXTENSION FUND.

1896.			
Nov. 19.	To cash	$ 115 27	
	By cash paid H. V. Simpson for Haw River		$ 100 00
	By cash paid P. T. Klapp for Big Falls		10 00
1897.			
Nov. 25.	By Treasurer's Commissions, 1½ per cent.		1 73
	By cash to balance		3 54
		$ 115 27	$ 115 27
1897.			
Nov. 15.	To cash on hand	$ 3 54	
	To cash received at Conference	56 63	
		$ 60 17	

CONFERENCE FUND.

1896.			
Nov. 19.	To cash	$ 23 68	
	To cash borrowed	1 67	
20.	By cash paid J. W. Holt		25 00
	By cash paid Treas. Coms., 1½ per cent.		35
		$ 25 35	$ 25 35
1897.			
Nov. 25.	To cash received	$ 24 89	

Hebron, Mecklenburg county, Va., was chosen as the place for the next annual session of Conference.

The Executive Committee reported that they had held no business meeting during the year.

Ministerial reports as to Conference requirements were called for and read.

Report of the Committee on Home Missions was submitted as follows, and was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

The work at Durham, N. C., under Rev. J. W. Wellons, has made some progress this year, both financially and numerically. They ask for $125 next year. We recommend the appropriation of $125.

South Boston, Va., has made but little progress this year, but has labored under disadvantages. South Boston asks for fifty dollars to help support Rev. J. W. Patton. We recommend thirty-six dollars to this church.

Bason's Church asks for one hundred dollars from church extension fund. We recommend twenty-five dollars at this place.

Big Falls Church asks for fifty dollars from the church extension fund. We recommend twenty-five dollars to Big Falls Church.

Kallam Grove and Haw River both received aid last year; but have grown sufficiently to meet their own expenses.

Goshen Chapel asks for aid from the Home Mission fund. We favor eight dollars.

We recommend that this Conference take an additional membership in the Christian Missionary Association; and that the same be paid from the Home Mission fund at once.

We recommend the same assessments for Home Missions this year as last.

We recommend four cents per member for church extension.

Bason's ask for ten dollars for services of L. I. Cox for the past year. We favor ten dollars from Home Mission fund.

We recommend quarterly reports and quarterly payments from Home Mission fund, except donations to L. I. Cox, to be paid at once.

Donations from extension fund to be paid when asked for by the Building Committee.

THOS. W. STROWD,
W. T. HERNDON,
J. O. ATKINSON,
Committee.

Standing committees were announced as follows:

Education.—J. O. Atkinson, J. W. Wellons, J. W. Holt.

Home Missions.—J. W. Holt, T. W. Strowd, J. T. Cobb, H. C. Fulton.

Foreign Missions.—J. O. Atkinson, S. A. Holleman, T. B. Dawson.

Executive Committee.—J. W. Holt, J. O. Atkinson, P. T. Klapp.

Moral Reform.—T. W. Strowd, J. W. Holt, S. B. Klapp, G. W. Tickle.

Religious Literature.—W. T. Herndon, J. W. Pinnix, J. W. Carlton.

Sunday Schools.—H. V. Simpson, J. W. Fonville, W. T. Walters, L. H. Yancey.

On motion, the name of Rev. P. T. Klapp was added to the Committees on Education and Foreign Missions, and substituted in the Executive Committee for Rev. J. W. Wellons, by request.

The following was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference are due and are hereby tendered to this community for the extremely hospitable manner in which it has entertained us during our present session.

S. A. HOLLEMAN.

A motion to ratify the action of the General Convention in regard to the publishing house, was lost.

Committee to receive subscriptions to the "Christians' Annual," reported $27.50 raised.

On motion, Conference asked the editor of the "Christian Sun" to publish minutes in the "Annual." In case of failure, the matter was left with the Executive Committee.

On motion, the Secretary was ordered to draw orders on the Treasurer according to the tenor of the appropriations of Conference.

On motion, the Secretary was allowed $15.00.

Adjourned to meet on Tuesday after the third Sunday in November, 1898, at 10 a. m., with the church at Hebron , Va. Prayer by Rev. J. W. Wellons.

P. T. KLAPP, President.

J. W. HOLT, Secretary.

WALTER L. TAYLOR, Assistant Secretary.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS (ABRIDGED).

Solomon Apple—Engaged in Sunday School work.

J. O. Atkinson—Served Auburn and Wentworth; sixty sermons; taught in Elon College ten months; salary, $150.

T. B. Dawson—No charge; twenty-five sermons; eight baptisms.

W. T. Herndon—Missionary in Valley of Virginia; one hundred and forty-one sermons; one hundred and fifty conversions; sixty members received.

J. W. Holt—Four churches; seventy-five sermons; twenty-seven additions; two hundred visits; taught school five months; salary, $420.

P. T. Klapp—Seven churches; one hundred and sixty sermons; seven additions; two hundred and seventy-five visits; salary, $495.

S. B. Klapp—Preached at Marion N. Y.; one hundred and three sermons; twenty-four additions; four hundred and twenty-five visits; salary, $650.

H. C. Fulton—No report.

J. W. Pinnix—Two churches; thirty-five sermons; thirteen additions; salary, $77.

J. W. Wellons—Preached at Durham, N. C.; two hundred and seventeen sermons; twenty-six additions; nine hundred and thirteen visits.

W. H. Ford—Preached at New Carlisle, Ohio; sermons, sixty-six; visits, one hundred; salary, $100.

T. W. Strowd—Four churches; eighty sermons; ten additions; salary, $192.90.

A. F. Iseley—No church; preached monthly at a school house; twenty-six sermons.

J. S. Carden—One church; forty sermons; salary, $20.

J. W. Fonville—Had no churches.

H. L. Hines—One church; twenty-three sermons.

ASSESSMENTS FOR 1898.

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education Fund.	Church Extension.	Conference Fund.	Superannuated Fund.
Bethlehem	$33.00	$34.40	$12.00	$13.76	$ 3.44	$6.88
Apple's Chapel	16.50	22.40	10.00	9.04	2.24	4.48
Bason	1.00	2.00	1.00	80	20	40
Bethel	4.40	6.50	3.00	2.60	65	1.30
Belew's Creek	1.10	3.40	1.00	1.36	34	68
Big Falls	2.00	2.00	1.00	80	20	40
Concord	4.40	5.30	3.00	2.12	53	1.06
Durham	5.50	10.80	2.00	4.32	1.08	2.16
Elon College	10.00	5.30	5.00	2.12	53	1.06
Goshen Chapel	4.40	2.80	3.20	1.12	28	56
Hines' Chapel	13.20	21.50	8.00	8.60	2.15	4.30
Haw River	2.00	3.40	2.00	1.36	34	68
Happy Home	4.40	5.20	5.50	2.08	52	1.04
Hebron	9.90	13.80	6.00	5.52	1.38	2.76
Howard's Chapel	6.60	6.70	3.00	2.68	67	1.34
Ingram	8.80	7.40	5.00	2.96	74	1.48
Kallam Grove	4.40	3.30	5.00	1.32	33	66
Lebanon	11.00	12.20	5.00	4.88	1.22	2.44
Lexington	1.10	3.80	4.00	1.52	38	76
Long's Chapel	16.50	10.80	5.00	4.32	1.08	2.16
Mount Bethel	5.00	4.90	4.00	1.96	49	98
Mount Zion	4.40	3.90	2.00	1.56	39	78
Pleasant Grove	27.50	20.90	15.00	8.36	2.09	4.18
Pleasant Ridge	4.40	5.70	4.00	2.28	57	1.14
Salem Chapel	8.80	12.40	5.00	4.96	1.24	2.48
Sage Garden	4.40	2.90	2.00	1.16	29	58
Shallow Ford	6.60	7.30	5.00	2.92	73	1.46
South Boston	1.00	1.50	1.00	60	15	30
Union (N. C.)	25.00	25.50	12.00	10.20	2.55	5.10
Union (Va.)	11.00	16.80	5.00	6.72	1.68	3.36

So Boston
Union N.C.
Hebron

FINANCIAL-STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Paid Pastor.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Educational Fund.	Church Extension.	Conference Fund.	Other Purposes.	Total Amount.	Value of Church Property.	Raised by the Sunday School.
Apple's Chapel	$ 39.58	$ 2.59	$ 2.00	$	$	$ 2.16	$	$ 46.33	$ 1,200.00	$
Bason									50.00	
Bethlehem	125.00	23.25	24.72	8.50	7.40	2.46	23.65	214.98	1,800.00	82.89
Bethel	51.25	4.40	6.40	3.00	1.92	64	4.50	72.11	1,000.00	3.20
Belew's Creek	32.50	1.10	2.90	1.00	87	29	4.10	42.76	400.00	15.00
Big Falls	10.55	50	1.00		35	20	78.00	90.60	200.05	11.03
Concord	40.60	3.50	3.75			50	7.00	55.35	700.00	3.00
Durham	200.00	5.50	8.60	2.00	2.58	86		219.54	2,000.00	24.55
Elon College	32.50	10.00	5.60	5.00	1.68	56		55.34		50.00
Goshen Chapel	13.80	25	25					14.30	300.00	2.05
Happy Home	95.10	4.00	3.50	1.43	1.25	55		105.83	500.00	5.00
Haw River	100.00	2.00	3.30	2.00	99	33	956.10	1,064.72	1,750.00	
Hines' Chapel	100.00	3.00	4.00	1.00	1.50	1.50	50	112.50	900.00	3.00
Hebron	107.00	4.00	3.05	1.00	2.00	1.12		118.12	800.00	7.90
Howard's Chapel	100.00	6.60	7.50	3.00	2.25	75	10.00	130.10	700.00	11.00
Ingram	125.00	8.80	7.10	5.00	2.13	71	75.00	223.74	1,200.00	12.00
Kallam Grove	36.85	4.40	4.50	5.00	1.35	45		51.55	500.00	57
Lebanon	125.00	11.00	12.40	5.00	3.72	1.24	26.50	184.86	2,000.00	36.69
Lexington										
Long's Chapel	125.00	13.75	11.46		1.87	1.12	3.00	156.20	1,000.00	800.00
Mount Bethel	84.35	5.00	4.50	4.00	1.35	45	4.00	103.65	800.00	6.00
Mount Zion	32.00	2.50	1.50		81	38		37.19	1,000.00	
Pleasant Grove	200.00	27.50	22.40	15.00	6.72	2.24	33.92	305.78	2,000.00	21.86
Pleasant Ridge	35.42	1.50	1.51					38.43	800.00	
Salem Chapel	85.75	8.80	7.59	4.00	3.96	1.32	5.00	116.42	600.00	5.00
Sage Garden	23.40	2.00	1.00		1.00			27.40	500.00	
Shallow Ford	75.00	6.60	7.20	5.00	2.16	72	125.00	221.68	1,300.00	48.00
South Boston	24.00	3.50	50				25.00	53.00	10.00	3.58
Union (N. C.)	200.00	25.00	19.12	12.00	7.77	2.59		266.48	500.00	5.00
Union (Va.)	55.25	5.00	5.00	1.92	1.00	1.75		69.92	1,000.00	

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CHURCH STATISTICS.

Churches.	Pastors.	Secretaries and their Post Offices.	Number Last Report.	Received Since.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Expelled.	Present Number.
Apple's Chapel	J. W. Pinnix	Z. Chrisman, Liberty Store, N. C.	217	10			3		224
Bason	L. I. Cox	W. P. Sharp, Bason, N. C							20
Bethlehem	J. W. Holt	L. D. Rippey, Altamahaw, N. C	351	6	3	7	1	2	344
Bethel	T. W. Strowd	L. H. Walker, Anderson, N. C	64	2			1		65
Belew's Creek	L. I. Cox	V. O. Roberson, Belew's Creek, N. C,	29	6		1			34
Big Falls	P. T. Klapp	J. C. McAdams, Burlington, N. C	47			27			20
Concord	T. W. Strowd	James W. Jackson, Cherry Grove, N. C	49	4					53
Durham	J. W. Wellons	A. J. Faucette, Durham N. C	86	25	1		1	1	108
Elon College	J. U. Newman	G. W. Tickle, Elon College, N. C	56	2	3		1	1	53
Goshen Chapel	T. W. Strowd	S. L. Slaughter, Berea, N. C	34			6			28
Happy Home	J. W. Holt	J. W. Foster, Oregon, N. C	48	8	2	2			52
Haw River	C. C. Peel	H. V. Simpson, Haw River, N. C	33	9	3	3	2		34
Hines' Chapel	J. W. Holt	W. A. Heath, Greensboro, N. C	215	6	2		4		215
Hebron	J. W. Patton	J. W. Winfree, Virgilina, Va	126	17	2		1	2	138
Howard's Chapel	C. C. Peel	W. B. Madison, Wentworth, N. C	75	1	2	6		1	67
Ingram	P. T. Klapp	Wellons Boyd, Stebbins, Va	71	5			2		74
Kallam Grove	L. I. Cox	D. F. Wilson, Bason, N. C	45	6		15	1	2	33
Lebanon	J. W. Holt	Dora Pierce, Semora, N. C	124	7			1	8	122
Lexington									
Long's Chapel	P. T. Klapp	W. J. Fitch, McCray, N. C	112	1	2	2	1		108
Mt. Bethel	J. W. Patton	D. I. Cummings, Simpson's Store, N. C	45	6			2		49
Mt. Zion	T. W. Strowd	Mary Bradley, Pleasant Grove, N. C	38	2			1		39
Pleasant Grove	W. C. Wicker	H. T. Headspeth, News Ferry, Va	210	4	2		3		209
Pleasant Ridge	J. W. Pinnix	J. H. Barker, Summerfield, N. C.	55	2					57
Salem Chapel	L. I. Cox.	J. C. Hammock, Walkertown, N. C.	132	7	2	10	2	1	124
Sage Garden	J. W. Parker	J. A. Holder, Kernersville, N. C.	28	2			1		29
Shallow Ford	P. T. Klapp	W. D. Walker, Burlington, N. C	72	1					73
South Boston	W. C. Wicker	J. A. Reese, South Boston, Va	12	3					15
Union (N. C.)	C. C. Peel	J. D. Wilkins, Maywood, N. C	259	2	2	1	3		355
Union (Va.)	T. W. Strowd	W. H. Averett, Hyco, Va	169	5	2		1	3	168

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SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS.	SECRETARIES AND POST OFFICES.	Number Schools.	Classes.	Officers and Teachers.	Pupils.	Volumes in Library.	Our Literature—Yes or No.
Apple's Chapel	Dan Michael	Will Andrews, Company Mills, N. C	1	4	6	22	28	Yes
Bason								
Bethlehem	H. C. Simpson	J. S. Lewis, Altamahaw, N. C	1	10	16	141		Yes
Bethel	Wm. Apple	J. S. Roscoe, Anderson, N. C	1	4	6	25		Yes
Belew's Creek	J. W. Freeman	A. W. Preston, Belew's Creek, N. C	1	7	11	65		No
Big Falls	J. C. McAdams	W. T. Walters, Burlington, N. C	1	6	8	57		No
Concord	G. G. Anderson	Ida B. Saundres, Milesville, N. C	1	3	7	25		Yes
Durham	W. C. Cole	J. W. Pool, Durham, N. C	1	6	9	60		Yes
Elon College	D. P. Barrett	D. J. Sipe, Elon College, N. C	1	9	11	100		Yes
Goshen Chapel	S. L. Slaughter	Sallie Gill, Berea, N. C	1	2	4	30	12	Yes
Happy Home	W. D. Wall	J. H. Hopper, Nance, N. C	1	4	9	96	50	Yes
Haw River								
Hines' Chapel	W. A. Heath	Charlie Hines, Brown Summit, N. C	1	4	6	50		Yes
Hebron	P. A. Rice	A. C. Yancey, Siddons, Va.	1	2	4	27		Yes
Howard's Chapel	W. P. Gunn	E. S. West, Wentworth, N. C	1	4	8	53		
Ingram	Wellons Boyd	Pleasy Carlton, Ingram, Va	1	5	7	46		No
Kallam Grove	D. C. Klapp	J. F. Falks, Hogan, N. C	1	3	5	33		No
Lebanon	A. D. Flowers	J. O Wells, Semora, N. C	1	8	12	107		Yes
Lexington								
Long's Chapel	G. T. Hurdle		1	4	7	35		Yes
Mt. Bethel.	J. H. Thacker	Chalmus Strader, Simpson's Store, N. C	1	3	6	30		No
Mt. Zion	A. F. McAdams	Hattie Richmond, Pleasant Grove, N. C	1	3	4	18	75	Yes
Pleasant Grove	D. S. Farmer	C. D. S. Farmer, News Ferry, Va	1	5	7	10		No
Pleasant Ridge	S. S. Higgins	Mollie Knight, Holt, N. C	1	4	6	30		No
Salem Chapel	S. P. Marshall	Annie Ried, Fulp, N. C	1	5	8	80		Yes
Sage Garden	W. H. Manuel	R. T. Joyce, Kernersville, N. C	1	4	6			No
Shallow Ford	L. T. Barber	S. L. Cobb, Elon College, N. C	1	5	11	60		Yes
South Boston	J. A. Reese	J. A. Webster, South Boston, Va	1					
Union (N. C.)	W A. McCauley	G. R. Graham, McCray, N. C	1	4	6	40		Yes
Union (Va.)								

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Eastern N. C. Christian Conference,

HELD AT

Mount Auburn Church.

Mt. Auburn Church, Warren County, N. C.,
Dec. 2, 1897.

The Conference was called to order by President J. H. Fleming, of last session. Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. J. D. Wicker, reading Psalm 103, and prayer.

The roll of elders and churches were called, with the following responses:

Elders.—W. G. Clements, Jas. L. Foster, W. D. Harward, L. W. Mangum, G. R. Underwood, J. D. Wicker, W. C. Wicker.

Churches:

Auburn.—J. E. Langston.
Antioch.—J. H. Wall, L. L. Taylor.
Amelia.—Not represented.
Beulah.—J. H. Moody, P. G. Denton.
Christian Chapel.—A. C. Davis.
Catawba Springs.—J. G. Langston, T. M. Franks.
Christian Light.—Not represented.
Damascus.—Not represented.
Ebenezer.—J. H. Fleming.
Hayes Chapel.—Miss Nellie A. Goodwin, Miley Perry.
Liberty.—J. F. Coghill, Irwin M. Green.
Mt. Hermon.—Not represented.
Mt. Carmel.—Not represented.
Mt. Auburn.—T. J. Haskins, S. P. Read.

Mt. Gilead.—B. M. Bartholomew, H. T. Height.
Morrisville.—J. H. Moring.
Moore Union.—A. C. Yarborough.
Martha's Chapel.—W. A. Ellington.
New Elam.—D. A. Mann.
New Hill.—Not represented.
New Hope.—J. M. King, N. M. Rogers.
Oak Level.—E. L. Hicks.
O'Kelley's Chapel.—Not represented.
Plymouth.—F. N. Bridgers, C. H. Rowland.
Pleasant Hill.—Benjamin Mathews.
Pleasant Union.—Not represented.
Pleasant Grove.—Not represented.
Pope's Chapel.—A. M. House, N. B. House.
Piney Plains.—J. R. Prince.
Raleigh.—A. Moring.
Spilona.—Not represented.
Shallow Well.—J. B. Watson.
Six Forks.—Not represented.
Turner's Chapel.—Not represented.
Walnut Grove.—Not represented.
Wake Chapel.—W. Z. Atkinson, J. E. Ballentine, K. B. Johnson.
Wentworth.—Jesse Winburn, Geo. M. McCullers.
Youngsville.—J. C. Winston, W. T. Young.

The roll of elders and churches being completed, the chair announced a quorum present and the Conference ready for the transaction of business.

The first business was the election of President.

Hon. S. P. Read was nominated, but declined the election.

On ballot, Rev. G. R. Underwood was chosen President, and on taking his seat made appropriate remarks, thanking the Conference for their confidence.

Rev. C. H. Rowland was elected Assistant Secretary.

Rev. M. L. Hurley, pastor of Mt. Auburn, made, in behalf of the church, an address of welcome, which was responded to by Rev. W. C. Wicker.

The time for the annual sermon having arrived, Rev. W. D. Harward read for a lesson from Num. 13: 21 to 14: 7. Text, Num. 13: 30. The sermon was delivered in a most earnest manner and abounded in apt scriptural quotations.

The following brethren, as fraternal messengers, were received and invited to seats as deliberative members of this body, and responded in fitting remarks:

From the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, Rev. J. W. Wellons; Rev. W. S. Long, from Eastern Virginia Conference; Rev. P. H. Fleming and Prof. E. L. Moffitt from Western North Carolina Conference.

Revs. W. T. Herndon, M. L. Hurley, A. P. Barbee were also invited to seats.

A petition from Wentworth Christian Church was presented, for membership in this Conference, and, on motion, the petition was granted and the delegates enrolled.

A paper from the Christian Missionary Association was read, asking this Conference to continue her membership. Rev. W. T. Herndon, the missionary of the Association, was granted thirty minutes in which to present the claims of said Association, who made a very strong plea for missionary work throughout the entire Southern Convention. Quite a number of memberships were secured.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We ordered the Treasurer to pay the money for foreign missions to J. A. Mills, Treasurer of the Southern Convention.

We wrote to the delinquent churches concerning their failure to pay up their assessments as ordered by Conference.

W. G. CLEMENTS,
J. D. WICKER.

The report adopted.

The President called for the church letters and ordered them read, which was done. The chair appointed the following brethren as a Committee on Finance: K. B. Johnson, W. A. Ellington.

The following were appointed a Committee on Assessments: Revs. W. C. Wicker, G. R. Underwood, J. D. Wicker.

The chair appointed the following Committee on Memoirs: Rev. W. G. Clements, W. D. Harward and J. D. Wicker.

The President filled vacancies on the Committee on Foreign Missions as follows: Rev. C. H. Rowland, J. B. Watson.

Conference adjourned to meet at 9.30 a. m. to-morrow. Benediction by W. S. Long.

SECOND DAY.

December 3d.

The President called Conference to order at 10.30 a. m. Devotional exercises by Rev. W. G. Clements.

Roll called. Minutes read and corrected.

Quorum being present, Conference proceeded to business.

The following resolution was adopted:

Whereas, it is known that on several occasions the feelings of some members of this Conference have been to some extent wounded by having their motions tabled, thereby cutting off all debate as to the merit or demerit of such resolutions; therefore be it

Resolved, That this Conference enter its protest against tabling any resolution offered in good faith by any member of this body until an opportunity for discussion shall have been offered.

T. J. HASKINS.

On motion, Rev. W. W. Staley, fraternal messenger from the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member of this body; and bore fraternal greetings and good will in a few well-chosen words.

Rev. S. B. Klapp, of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, was also invited to a seat, and expressed himself as glad to be with us.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

In order to promote a higher degree of purity in our homes, a more general enforcement of the Golden Rule among our members in the every day affairs of life, and a more elevated plane of practical Christian living among those over whom our influence extends, we suggest that it be the care of our laity to put into practice more fully than heretofore the teachings of the Bible as proclaimed by our ministers, and that our ministers endeavor to live consistently with the teachings they enjoin upon others.

The prevalent use of intoxicants, tobacco and other narcotics, is a menace to the prosperity and happiness of the people of our State, and we suggest that still greater efforts be made by our Conference to discountenance and abolish the use of any of these things.

The customs among railroad companies and some other organizations of compelling their employees to work on the Sabbath, is not in accord with the letter nor the spirit of the Fourth Commandment, and should not receive our sanction; neither should we encourage such a custom by doing anything that tends to support it.

There is another form of Sabbath breaking among us which we must fight if we would put away evil from among us. It consists of the neglect on the part of many church members to attend church and Sunday School on the Sabbath day, and the substitution in the place thereof a lazy roll and tumble about home, or a walk about their places of business.

In order that a taste only for good reading may be cultivated by our young people, it is suggested that parents be urged to discard from their homes all literature that does not contain matter which is wholesome and elevating.

HERBERT SCHOLZ,
I. W. PRITCHARD,
L. W. MANGUM.

After extensive discussion, the report was adopted unanimously.

By motion, J. W. Moring was appointed a committee of one to collect funds for the publication of the "Annual."

Ministerial reports called and read; also, additional church letters.

PARTIAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We beg to make the following report:

That we have examined the account for incidental expenses of Rev. James L. Foster, Secretary, amounting to $3.23 and find it correct, and recommend that it be paid.

K. B. JOHNSON,
W. A. ELLINGTON.

The report adopted.

Conference adjourned 45 minutes for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

About one hour was granted the Willing Helpers for their meeting.

MINISTERIAL REPORT.

MINISTERS.	Number Churches in Charge.	Number Sermons Preached.	Number Lectures or Addresses.	Prayer-meetings Held.	Conversions in Pastoral Charge.	Members Receiv'd.	Baptisms.	Pastoral Visits.	Funerals Conducted.	Marriages Solemnized.	Sundays Not Engaged.	Amount of Salary.
A. P. Barbee	5	120	20	----	50	20	--	----	2	----	----	$160.00
W. G. Clements	6	150	20	50	27	26	11	100	4	----	----	--------
J. L. Foster	1	121	----	32	3	3	15	517	5	7	----	424.43
J. W. Fuquay	3	100	10	----	----	--	--	----	1	----	1	75.00
W. D. Harward	3	90	----	----	17	9	8	----	----	1	1	149.50
L. W. Mangum	2	85	----	10	13	8	5	----	6	21	2	56.00
C. H. Rowland	2	30	----	----	26	24	--	----	1	----	3	101.50
J. D. Wicker	7	166	12	16	97	97	88	47	8	3	----	515.00
G. R. Underwood	7	173	10	30	85	78	60	----	12	4	----	435.00
W. C. Wicker	3	110	60	----	----	8	18	200	1	1	----	300.00
M. L. Winston *	----	----	----	----	----	--	--	----	----	----	----	--------
J. A. Whiteman	----	70	----	----	7	--	2	----	----	2	----	--------

*No charge.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We may give thanks to-day that the spirit of missions is spreading and taking deep root. Old faiths are dying; old prejudices are giving way. The time calls for actions, not for discussion, while hundreds and thousands are dropping into their graves unsaved.

Our missionaries, though few in numbers, are doing a great work in spreading the Gospel among the Japanese. The year 1897 has been one of hard work with our missionaries in Japan, it being flushed with victory over China, and the people swing from one extreme to the other.

Let the church pray that our missionaries may be successful in pointing the Japanese to Jesus. The foreign field is calling for more laborers and funds.

We recommend the following:

1. That the churches raise the same amount as last year.
2. That each church in this Conference hold a foreign mission service during the year 1898, and the preachers in charge be requested to preach on the subject.
3. That missionary societies be organized where there are none.
4. We recommend the "Christian Missionary," published at Dayton, Ohio; also the "Missionary Review of the World," published by Funk and Wagnalls, New York.

G. R. UNDERWOOD,
J. B. WATSON,
C. H. ROWLAND,
Committee.

After discussion, the report adopted.

A vote of thanks was tendered Rev. W. D. Harward for the very excellent sermon delivered at the opening of this session.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

Rev. John Anderson Jones, one of the Elders of the Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference, answers no more to the roll-call on earth. In the early morning of October 1, 1897, at his home in Wake County, N. C., he gently fell asleep in Jesus.

He was born in Wake County, N. C., July 28, 1848, professed religion in early life, and united with the church at Wake Chapel, Wake County, N. C. He and Miss Julia Isabella Womack were married September 4, 1871. God gave them ten children, four boys and six girls. The mother and all the children but Selina E., are yet living. Bro. Jones was licensed by the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference to preach November 20, 1878, and was ordained an Elder in the same Conference November 19, 1882.

In the death of Bro. Jones we recognize the following facts:

1. That this Conference has lost one of its most devout, energetic and successful Elders.
2. That the State has lost one of her best citizens, and his community one of her best neighbors.
3. That it is our bounden duty to send a copy of these statements to his widow and children, expressive of our sympathies for them.

W. G. CLEMENTS,
J. D WICKER.

Feeling addresses were delivered by a number of preachers and laymen. The report adopted.

On motion, the Conference elected the following fraternal messengers: The Valley of Virginia, Rev. W. C. Wicker; the Eastern Virginia, Rev. W. G. Clements; the Eastern North Carolina, Revs. G. R. Underwood, C. H. Rowland; the Georgia and Alabama, Rev. Jas. L. Foster; the North Carolina and Virginia, Revs. C. H. Rowland, W. D. Harward, W. G. Clements.

The chair appointed the following Committee on Religious Exercises: Rev. M. L. Hurley, T. J. Haskins, S. P. Read.

The election of delegates to the next session of the General Convention, South, was made a special order for to-morrow (Saturday) immediately after intermission.

By motion, Rev. W. G. Clements was elected to deliver the next annual sermon, and Rev. A. P. Barbee was elected as alternate.

New Elam and Pleasant Hill Churches invited Conference to hold next session with them, and, on vote, Pleasant Hill was selected.

On motion, Conference decided in future to meet on Thursday before the second Sunday in November, at 10 a. m.

Conference adjourned. Benediction by Rev. Dr. Staley.

THIRD DAY.

December 4.

Conference called to order by President Underwood. Prayer by Rev. J. W. Wellons.

Roll called. Minutes read, corrected and approved.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The church letters show twenty-four Sunday Schools in the Conference, with a membership of 1,671. We are glad to know that the Sunday School Convention connected with this Conference is growing in interest, though not as well attended as it should be.

We recommend that all churches and pastors look well to the Sunday School work; and that all Sunday Schools connected with this Conference send delegates to the Sunday School Convention; and

that all ministers of the Conference be required to attend the sessions of the Convention or give an excuse for failure to do so.

We also recommend that every Sunday School use the literature of the Christian Publishing House of Dayton, Ohio.

T. J. HASKINS,
J. H. MORING.

The report adopted.

EDUCATIONAL REPORT.

The present age demands Christian education. Secular institutions are educating the physical and mental man and neglecting the spiritual. The great need of the present is an educational system that shall educate the tripartite nature of man. Those institutions that cultivate the physical and mental, as means to the spiritual life, development and progress are pre-eminently superior to those institutions that neglect the true aim of all education in the neglect of the spiritual character.

Among Christian institutions Elon College takes her place and receives our appreciation and most hearty endorsement. It offers a course of Christian education that is not excelled by any institution of the State, and should receive the patronage and support of all who love the church.

We recommend the establishment and equipment of preparatory and high schools in the various sections of the Conference to inspire our young people to strive for the highest possible attainment in Christian culture, and to infuse new life along all educational lines.

Revs. A. P. Barbee and C. H. Rowland, having stood the required examination for ordination, we recommend that they be ordained as elders of this Conference during the present session.

Rev. J. W. Fuquay, not having complied with the government of the Christian Church, we recommend that his license be revoked.

Bro. L. F. Johnson, having stood the required examination, and having been recommended by his church, we recommend his licensure by the Chairman of this Committee.

Bro. N. B. House was admitted to the Biblical Class, and expects to enter Elon College at an early date.

We recommend that Conference loan L. F. Johnson $30, and Rev. C. H. Rowland $20, to enable them to remain in school, and the usual notes taken for the same.

W. C. WICKER,
W. G. CLEMENTS,
JAS. L. FOSTER.

The report adopted.

The chair appointed Rev. W. C. Wicker chairman of the Committee on Education, to license brother L. F. Johnson.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Since last Conference we have done very little in the home mission field, except to organize one new church, situated some ten miles south of Raleigh.

We find other very inviting fields for the work if we had the money and men to send to these points. But for the ill success attending the efforts that have been put forward to build up other points that have suffered and almost died for the want of a pastor.

we would look to these fields with much comfort and hope. We feel that the time has come when an effort should be made to place the weak churches of this Conference in a more healthful condition if possible. We therefore recommend:

1. That in every case, where practicable, a weak church should be associated with one or more stronger ones; but this is only a suggestion to the churches, and is not intended to be binding, as Conference assumes no authority to control the churches in their actions.

2. We recommend that the pastor of each church in this Conference make a strong effort to organize a Ladies' Church Aid Society where they do not now exist.

3. We recommend that this Conference heartily commend the ladies for the work they have done through their Ladies' Aid Societies that are now in existence, for in nearly every instance they have paid their assessments in full.

4. We further recommend the appropriation of ninety dollars ($90), to the Raleigh church, to supplement the pastor's salary for the ensuing year.

5. We recommend that twenty dollars ($20) be appropriated to Mount Gilead to supplement salary of pastor.

6. We recommend that twenty dollars ($20) be paid to Six Forks to supplement salary of pastor.

7. We recommend that twenty dollars ($20) be paid to Amelia for the benefit of pastor.

8. We furthermore recommend that inasmuch as Rev. M. L. Hurley has expressed a willingness to give Antioch a week day appointment, that the delegates from that church confer with him and ascertain if they can make satisfactory arrangements; and we ask that Conference supplement the amount they propose to try to raise (which is fifty dollars), with twenty dollars for pastor for ensuing year.

9. We recommend that the amount appropriated to the Raleigh church shall be paid quarterly, and the other appropriations shall be paid in full the 1st day of June, 1898, or any day thereafter, upon application of parties to whom it is due.

In conclusion, we wish to say that we regret very much that we are unable to do more for the churches asking help at the hands of Conference than we have done; and if all the churches had responded to the demands of Conference as fully and faithfully as some have done, there would have been no lack of funds for the cause of home missions, and we earnestly entreat both ministers and delegates to make a greater effort the ensuing year to raise the amount asked for for this cause.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. WICKER,
T. J. HASKINS.

The report adopted.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The chair called Conference to order.

The hour for special order having arrived, the Conference proceeded with the election of delegates to the next session of of the General Convention, South. The

following elders were nominated: Revs. W. G. Clements, G. R. Underwood, W. C. Wicker, W. D. Harward, Jas. L. Foster, J. D. Wicker; and, on ballot, the following were declared elected: Rev. W. G. Clements, J. D. Wicker, G. R. Underwood and Jas. L. Foster. And, on motion, Revs. W. C. Wicker and W. D. Harward were elected alternates.

On ballot, the following laymen were elected: brothers S. P. Read, J. H. Fleming, J. H. Moring and K. B. Johnson; with brothers H. Scholz, J. B. Watson, W. A. Ellington and J. A. Mills as alternates.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

It is the nature of the human mind to admit of development, and this in its truest sense is largely effected by study and by reading. As the tendrils of the vine lay hold upon anything that is found within its reach, so the youthful mind, seeking satisfaction in keeping with its nature, must be guided and have placed within its reach something which is wholesome to lay hold upon. The literature placed before those who should read, should be such as to sound the reader at the greatest depth of his possibility. Coleridge says for him this was the Bible. This book being the book of books, and proclaiming a setting forth of the plan of salvation, should have its study encouraged above all others. There are other books, papers and periodicals that contain helpful matter, the importance of the reading of which should be impressed.

Therefore we recommend:

1. That among the many papers that might be mentioned, the "Christian Sun" is worthy of being at the head of the list, and should have the hearty support of all our ministers in finding its way into every home within our borders.

2. That the "Christian Missionary" and other reading matter, containing information along mission lines, should be brought before our people.

3 That the reading of the pamphlet, "Our Principles and Government," "Facing the Truth," "Christians not Disciples," and also the "Herald of Gospel Liberty," are encouraged.

W. D. HARWARD,
JAS. L. FOSTER.

The report adopted.

On motion, Conference allowed the Secretary fifteen ($15.00) dollars for services, 1897.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted by rising vote, in which all visitors were allowed to vote:

Resolved. That this Conference tender a vote of thanks to the church and community for their unbounded hospitality.

W. A. ELLINGTON.

The Comittee on Annuals reported 270 sold.

President Underwood appointed the following standing committees:

Executive.—Revs. W. G. Clements, J. D. Wicker, Jas. L. Foster.

Education.—Revs. W. C. Wicker, W. G. Clements, Jas. L. Foster.

Home Missions.—Rev. J. D. Wicker, and brothers K. B. Johnson and T. J. Haskins.

Foreign Missions.—Revs. G. R. Underwood, W. D. Harward, C. H. Rowland, and brother J. B. Watson.

Religious Literature.—Revs. W. D. Harward, W. C. Wicker, A. P. Barbee.

Sunday Schools.—Rev. A. P. Barbee, and brothers J. H. Fleming, J. H. Moring.

Moral Reform.—Rev. L. W. Mangum, brothers W. A. Ellington, J. E. Langston.

By motion, the chairmen of the Committees on Education, Home Missions and Foreign Missions were made a Standing Committee on Assessments.

We have examined the accounts of J. E. Ballentine, Treasurer, and find them correct.

K. B. JOHNSON,
W. A. ELLINGTON.

The report adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

J. E. BALLENTINE, *Treasurer, in account with the Eastern N. C. Christian Conference:*

HOME MISSIONS.

1896.			
Nov. 26.	To balance on hand		$ 24 84
29.	To collections at Conference		163 82
1897.			
Nov. 30.	To collections since		11 00
	By commissions, 1½ per cent	$ 2 62	
1896			
Dec. 2.	By order of J. A. Mills, No. 33	10 00	
16.	J. L. Foster, No. 34	33 75	
	W. G. Clements, No. 35	25 00	
1897.			
Feb. 19.	J. D. Wicker, No. 36	12 50	
23.	C. H. Rowland, No. 37	5 00	
Mar. 1.	J. L. Foster, No. 38	33 75	
May 14.	J. D. Wicker, No. 41	12 50	
June 3.	J. L. Foster, No. 42	33 75	
5.	C. H. Rowland, No. 43	5 00	
Sept. 4.	J. L. Foster, No. 44	33 75	
Nov. 30.	By commission on 10 orders, 1½ per cent	3 07	
	Overdrawn		11 03
		$210 69	$210 69

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

1896.			
Nov. 26.	To balance on hand		$ 09
29.	To collections at Conference		95 54
1897.			
Nov. 30.	To collections since		4 00
	By commissions, 1½ per cent	$ 1 49	
Mar. 4.	By order of J. A. Mills, No. 39	94 62	
	By commissions on order, 1½ per cent	1 41	
Nov. 30.	Balance on hand	2 11	
		$99 63	$99 63

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

1896.			
Nov. 26.	To balance on hand		$11 09
29.	To collections at Conference		53 09
1897.			
Nov. 30.	To collections since		3 00
	By commissions, 1½ per cent	84	
1896.			
Dec. 1.	By order of C. H. Rowland, No. 31	25 00	
	L. T. Johnson, No. 32	35 00	
	By commission on two orders	90	
1897.			
Nov. 30.	Balance on hand	5 44	
		$67 18	$67 18
Nov. 3.	Amount of notes on hand		$264 75

CONFERENCE FUND.

1896.			
Nov. 26.	To balance on hand		$ 4 37
29.	To collections at Conference		20 72
1897.			
Nov. 30.	To collections since		1 25
	By commissions, 1½ per cent	$ 32	
1896.			
Nov. 30.	By order of J. L. Foster, No. 28	2 78	
	J. L. Foster, No. 29	10 00	
	J. D. Wicker, No. 30	1 20	
1897.			
April 2.	By order of E. L. Moffitt, No. 40	8 90	
Nov. 30.	By commissions on four orders	34	
	Balance on hand	2 80	
		$26 34	$26 34

SUPERANNUATED FUND.

1896.			
Nov. 29.	To collections at Conference		$18 81
1897.			
Nov. 30.	To collections since		2 00
	By commissions, 1½ per cent	$ 31	
	Balance on hand	20 50	
		$20 81	$20 81

PUBLICATION HOUSE.

1896.			
Nov. 30.	Collections at Conference		$1 65
	Balance on hand	$1 65	
		$1 65	$1 65

The report adopted.

Banner Churches.—Beulah, Catawba Springs, Damascus, Ebenezer, Liberty, Mt. Auburn, Morrisville, Mt. Gilead, Mt. Hermon, New Hope, Oak Level, O'Kelley's Chapel, Piney Plains, Raleigh, Six Forks, Spilona, Turner's Chapel, Wake Chapel.

Note.—To be a "Banner Church" is to pay all Conference assessments.

A PLAN FOR BETTER MISSIONARY WORK.

Resolved 1. That this Conference shall be, and is hereby divided into three sections, as follows:

Number 1 to include all churches south of Cape Fear River, west of the S. A. L. R. R. to Neuse River, and west of said river; number 2 to include all churches north and east of said Neuse River; and number 3 to include all churches between Neuse River and the Cape Fear River, south and east of the S. A. L. R. R.

2. That there shall be held at least one missionary meeting in each of these sections on yearly fifth Sundays; and all the ministers in the Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference be required to attend or give a satisfactory excuse. Also the churches of the section in whose bounds the meeting is held shall be requested to represent themselves in the same ratio that they are represented in Conference.

3. That the Executive Committee arrange place, time and programme for first meeting, and afterwards each meeting arrange for the succeeding one.

The plan, on motion, was adopted.

The Secretary was instructed to draw orders in favor of Jno. A. Mills, Treasurer of the General Convention, for Foreign Mission Fund, and Jas. L. Foster, for salary as Secretary.

On motion, Conference assumed the balance due for "Annuals," and the Secretary was instructed to send out the remainder for sale.

Conference appointed Rev. W. G. Clements and brother J. H. Moring, a committee to examine to-day's proceedings and see that same are correctly recorded.

On motion, Rev. G. R. Underwood, President, was made chairman of Committee on Foreign Missions.

By motion, Conference adjourned to meet on Thursday before the second Sunday in November (Nov. 10, 1898), 1898, at 10 a. m., with Pleasant Hill Christian Church, Johnston county, N. C. Prayer by Rev. W. T. Herndon.

G. R. UNDERWOOD, President,
Sanford, N. C.

JAS. L. FOSTER, Secretary,
Raleigh, N. C.

C. H. ROWLAND, Assistant Secretary,
Elon College, N. C.

ASSESSMENTS, 1898.

CHURCHES.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Educational.	Superannuated.	Conference Fund.	Publishing House.	Total Amount.
Antioch	$4.00	$1.50	$1.00	50	50	$7.10	$15.10
Auburn	8.00	4.00	3.00	50	50	5.10	22.10
Amelia	1.00	50	50	25	25	1.15	3.65
Beulah	5.00	2.00	2.00	$1.00	50	7.40	17.90
Bethany	3.00	1.50	1.00	50	50	6.40	13.40
Catawba Spring	15.00	5.00	3.00	1.00	$1.00	10.30	35.30
Christian Chapel	8.00	5.00	3.00	1.00	1.00	18.30	37.30
Christian Light	3.00	1.00	50	50	50	2.50	8.50
Damascus	15.00	7.00	4.00	1.00	1.00	11.00	40.00
Ebenezer	6.00	2.00	1.00	59	1.00	7.60	18.10
Good Hope	4.00	2.00	2.00	50	80	5.20	14.50
Hayes' Chapel	7.00	3.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	12.20	26.20
Liberty	12.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	1.00	17.80	42.80
Mount Auburn	20.00	8.00	8.00	2.00	2.00	15.90	55.90
Mount Carmel	3.00	1.00	50	1.00	25	2.90	9.15
Mount Hermon	3.00	1.00	1.00	50	50	4.60	10.60
Martha's Chapel	6.00	3.00	1.00	50	75	3.70	15.95
Moore Union	4.00	3.00	2.00	50	50	7.30	17.30
Morrisville	5.00	3.00	2.00	50	40	4.50	16.40
Mount Gilead	50	25	25	20	20	1.70	3.10
New Elam	10.00	5.00	3.00	1.00	1.00	19.30	41.30
New Hope	4.00	2.00	2.00	50	70	8.70	17.90
New Hill	1.00	50	50	50	40	3.10	6.00
O'Kelly's Chapel	10.00	5.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	9.90	28.90
Oak Level	10.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	1.30	11.60	34.90
Pleasant Union	3.00	1.00	1.00	50	60	6.30	12.40
Pleasant Hill	4.00	1.00	50	50	50	8.40	15.80
Pleasant Grove	1.00	50	50	50	15	.....	2.65
Pope's Chapel	10.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	10.30	28.30
Plymouth	5.00	2.00	2.00	1.00	75	7.04	17.75
Piney Plains	2.00	1.00	1.00	50	30	5.70	9.50
Raleigh	12.00	4.00	3.00	1.00	75	7.10	27.85
Spilona	3.00	50	25	50	50	2.00	7.00
Shallow Well	10.00	5.00	2.00	1.20	1.20	14.40	34.80
Six Forks	50	25	25	20	20	1.20	2.60
Turner's Chapel	3.00	1.00	1.00	50	50	5.70	11.70
Wake Chapel	16.00	6.06	5.00	1.00	2.00	20.20	50.20
Walnut Grove	4.00	3.00	50	50	50	2.60	11.90
Wentworth	3.00	1.00	1.00	50	50	1.90	7.90
Youngsville	3.00	1.00	1.00	50	50	3.60	9.60

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF

The Christian Missionary Association,

HELD AT

The Christian Church at Windsor, Va.,

December 8th and 9th, 1897.

FIRST DAY.

The Christian Missionary Association met in its Sixth Annual Session with the Christian Church at Windsor, Va., and was called to order at 10.30 o'clock by Rev. N. G. Newman, President of last session. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. W. S. Long, D.D.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names.

Berea Sunday School (Nand.), $10; Bethlehem Church, N. C., $10; Eastern Virginia Conference, $30; Mrs. Richard Peel, $5; Franklin Church, $10; Rev. H. H. Butler, $10; J. P. Barrett, $10; Eastern North Carolina Conference, $10; Mrs. Chas. Farmer, $5; Mrs. T. R. Gaskins, $5; T. R. Gaskins, $10; W. T. Herndon, $10; E. E. Holland, $10; R. A. Hyslop, $10; Providence Church, $10; W. H. Jones, Jr., $10; W. J. Lee, $10; Mrs. W. J. Lee, $5; P. H. Lee, $10; Mrs. P. H. Lee, $5; E. L. Moffitt, $10; Young People's Bible Class (Norfolk), $10; North Carolina and Virginia Conference, $20; N. G. Newman, $10; Geo. T. Rawls, $10; W. W. Staley, $10; A. Savage, $10; Mrs. A. Savage, $5; Rev. J. W. Harrell, $10; T. J. Lawrence, $10; Suffolk Sunday School, $10; W. H. Sipe, $10; Virginia Valley Con-

ference, $10; J. E. West, $10; Western North Carolina Conference, $10.

The following new members were enrolled:

Missionary Society, Suffolk, $10; Y. P. S. C. E. (Suffolk), $10; G. W. Nurney, $10; C. A. Schoop, $10; G. W. Truit, $10; Mrs. W. C. Iseley, $5; Misses Mary and Bula Foster, $5; S. D. Farmer, $10; Mt. Auburn Church, $10; J. W. Wellons, $10; J. S. Martz, $10; J. T. Moffitt, $10; J. W. Patton, $10; G. R. Underwood, $10; Mrs. M. A. Moffitt, $5; Mrs. W. Z. Atkinson, $5; Mrs. K. B. Johnson, $5; Mrs. Stella Everitt, $5; W. J. Laine, $10; Waverly Church, $10; Bethany Church, $10; Barrett's Church, $5.61; Spring Hill Church, $6.60; Burton's Grove Church, $10; I. W. Duck, $10; Mrs. G. W. Rothgeb, $5; Mrs. C. H. Swank, $5.

ORGANIZATION.

The Association went into the election of officers, which resulted as follows: President, Rev. N. G. Newman; Vice-President, Rev. W. S. Long, D.D.; Secretary, Rev. W. J. Laine; Treasurer, T. R. Gaskins.

Rev. W. J. Laine, pastor of the Windsor Church, delivered an address of welcome to the Association, which was responded to by Dr. W. S. Long on behalf of the Association.

On motion, the chair appointed Dr. W. W. Staley, Rev. J. W. Wellons and W. J. Lee a committee to nominate a mission secretary.

On motion of W. J. Laine, Rev. Mr. Peerman, of the M. E. Church, and Rev. Duncan McLeod, of the Baptist Church, were invited to seats as deliberative members.

On motion of J. E. West, Dr. Herndon's address was deferred until the evening session.

The report of Rev. W. T. Herndon, missionary in the Valley of Virginia, was read and adopted.

REPORT OF REV. W. T. HERNDON.

Report of W. T. Herndon, missionary, from December 7, 1896 to December 7, 1897:

From December 7 to February 10 investigated mission territory in Western North Carolina, and also in the Valleys of Virginia. From February 11 to November 9, labored as missionary in the Valley of

Virginia, resulting in the organization of three churches, one hundred and fifty confessions and sixty additions to the church; made two hundred and fifty visits; preached one hundred and forty-nine sermons; traveled nine hundred miles. We aided in the organization of and dedicated one church, and was instrumental in the organization of one church in North Carolina and Virginia Conference; established three other mission points.

The report of the Executive Committee was read and, on motion, adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

During the past fiscal year your Committee has transacted the following business:

1. On December 21, 1896, we approved and ordered the purchase of the following books and periodicals: Lives of Robert Morrison, Griffith John, James Chalmers, Bishop Patterson, William Carey, Robert Moffatt, The Encyclopædia of Missions (two volumes), Life of John G. Patton (in two volumes), at a cost of $16.38, the same to be the property of the Association for the use of the editor of the missionary column in the "Sun," and to remain in his custody during his term of office.

2. On February 2, 1897, we decided on the Virginia Valley as our present mission field. We ordered the payment of Dr. W. T. Herndon's missionary traveling expenses for the month of January, the amount being $31.15, and directed him to retain the purse of $30, given him for the dedication of a church and for holding night services.

3. On September 20, 1897, we ordered the publication of two thousand copies of the pamphlet, by Prof. E. L. Moffitt, on "Origin, Government, and Principles of the Christian Church," at a cost of $25, granting the publisher the right to print as many as he chose on his own account. We also granted Dr. W. T. Herndon, missionary, the privilege of leaving his work after second Sunday in November, to visit the North Carolina Conference in the interest of the Association, and at the expense of the same.

4. The resignation of the Mission Secretary, R. A. Hyslop, was placed in our hands, but it being only about two months before the annual meeting of the Association, we took no action upon it.

N. G. NEWMAN,
E. E. HOLLAND,
J. E. WEST.

A bill in favor of Dr. W. T. Herndon for $19 for traveling expenses in the interest of the Association during November, was, on motion, ordered to be paid by the Treasurer.

BILL OF W. T. HERNDON.

Traveling expenses for canvassing in the interest of the Missionary Association during a portion of November, 1897, $19.

W. T. HERNDON.

A bill in favor of the Secretary for $1.70 was presented, and, on motion, the Treasurer was instructed to pay the same.

BILL OF SECRETARY.

November 8, 1897, printing and envelopes, 85 cents; November 8, 1897, stamps, 85 cents; total, $1.70.

W. J. LAINE, Secretary C. M. A.

On motion, the Association adjourned until 2 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order by the President.

The President presented his report, and, on motion, it was adopted.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

During the past year we have had no soliciting agent in the field, yet good work has been done by several members of the Association. We heartily commend the example of those who at our last session pledged five memberships, and have by diligent effort secured the same, thereby materially augmenting our treasury. We trust their activity may stimulate others.

The mission work in the Virginia Valley, begun at our last session has progressed favorably from the beginning, and has fully met the expectations of its friends. The great need of the gospel in that section, the favorable reception of our principles, and the success of the missionaries during the past year, warrant a more faithful and aggressive effort on the part of the Association for the continuance of the work.

We therefore recommend:

1. That we continue the work in the Valley, and add another missionary to our present force at the earliest date possible. To this end we recommend the appointment of a committee to present suitable candidates to the Association, and conditions of contract with the same.

2. That the Association take into consideration methods for developing interest and increasing the funds of the Association; that a committee be appointed for this purpose, and to nominate a Mission Secretary.

N. G. NEWMAN,
President Christian Missionary Association.

The committee to whom was referred the nomination of mission secretary, reported, and after discussion by Dr. J. F. Barrett, Dr. W. S. Long, J. E. West, Rev. J.

W. Wellons and Dr. W. W. Staley, was, on motion, adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE MISSION SECRETARY.

Your Committee, appointed to nominate Mission Secretary, begs leave to present the name of Rev. Dr. J. P. Barrett for this office; and that he be empowered to appoint such help in the Conferences as he may deem wise to present the subject to secure membership in the various Conferences; and that his actual expenses in visiting Conferences be paid by this Association, upon an itemized account of same, approved by this body.

W. W. STALEY,
J. W. WELLONS,
WILLIS J. LEE.

On motion of Rev. J. W. Wellons, the President appointed Dr. W. S. Long to fill vacancy in Committee on Missionary Literature, caused by the absence of Prof. E. L. Moffitt.

The report of Dr. J. P. Barrett, who, under the appointment of the Association, had furnished a column of mission matter in the "Christian Sun" during the past year, was read, and on motion of Dr. W. S. Long, was adopted, and a vote of thanks for faithful discharge of duty was returned Dr. Barrett.

REPORT ON "MISSION COLUMN."

To the Christian Missionary Association:

From the 1st of January, 1897, I have furnished matter for the "mission column" of the "Christian Sun" every week, as requested by this body. J. PRESSLEY BARRETT.

The chair appointed Revs. W. W. Staley, N. G. Newman and Col. A. Savage a committee to nominate a missionary, and recommend contract with the same. The President was made chairman of this committee by vote.

On motion of W. S. Long, D.D., the Association went into the selection of a place for holding the next session. Durham, N. C., was named, and the following substitute, offered by Col. A. Savage, was adopted: That the time and selection of place for holding the next session be left with the Executive Committee.

On motion of Dr. W. W. Staley, Rev. J. P. Barrett, D.D., was elected to edit the mission column in the "Christian Sun" for the ensuing year.

The following were elected an Executive Committee: Rev. N. G. Newman, J. E. West and E. E. Holland.

On motion, the Association adjourned to meet again at 7.30 p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

Called to order by the President. Prayer by Rev. J. W. Wellons.

Dr. W. T. Herndon made an interesting address on the subject: "The Valley Field," which was followed by short speeches from Rev. Duncan McLeod, of the Baptist Church, and Dr. W. S. Long.

Rev. W. W. Staley, D.D., delivered an able address upon the subject: "The Missionary the Interpreter of God to the Nations."

On motion of W. J. Laine, Rev. J. F. Deans, D.D., of the Baptist Church, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member. Dr. Deans responded in beautiful and appropriate remarks.

On motion, the Association adjourned to meet again to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

SECOND DAY.

Called to order by the President at 10.30. Devotional exercises by Rev. J. W. Harrell.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

On motion of Rev. W. W. Staley, D.D., the Association appropriated $15 for missionary literature, postage, etc., for the mission column in the "Sun."

Rev. J. W. Harrell delivered an address on the subject: "Selfishness versus Missions."

On motion, Rev. J. W. Harrell and Misss Caie Nelms were appointed to secure subscriptions to the "Christian Missionary."

On motion, the Association adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order by the President.

Rev. H. H. Butler delivered an address upon the subject: "Home Missions as related to Foreign Missions."

The Committee on Mission Fields made report, and, on motion of Rev. J. W. Harrell, was adopted.

REPORT ON MISSION FIELDS.

Your Committee, to whom was given the consideration of mission fields, wish to submit only a few facts:

1. The fields needing our attention are many, and the destitution therein makes a strong plea for help.

2. The Virginia Valley, having been undertaken, and with encouraging results for the first year, we deem it the wise thing for this body to direct its efforts to the accomplishment of the work, now so promising in that field. In view of this fact, we deem it unnecessary to burden this report with the consideration of the needs of other fields at this time.

J. PRESSLEY BARRETT,
W. T. HERNDON.

The committee to nominate missionary and recommend contract with same, made its report, and after discussion by Dr. Staley, was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE MISSIONARY AND RECOMMEND CONTRACT WITH SAME.

We recommend—

1. The re-election of Dr. W. T. Herndon at a salary of $720.

2. That he be required to make monthly reports to the Chairman of the Executive Committee, and that his salary be paid monthly, in advance, upon order of the President.

3. That he do colportage work so far as can be done without interfering with his regular work.

N. G. NEWMAN,
W. W. STALEY,
A. SAVAGE.

Dr. Herndon, the missionary-elect, responded in appropriate words of acceptance.

On motion of Rev. W. T. Herndon, the following committee was appointed to formulate and submit plans for raising funds for the Association: W. W. Staley, D.D., W. J. Lee, Rev. W. T. Herndon and C. A. Schoop.

The Treasurer's report was read, and on motion of A. Savage, was adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

T. R. GASKINS, *in account with Missionary Association:*

1896.			
June 3.	Balance on hand		$518 18
18.	Deposit		270 00
July 17.	"		5 00
Dec. 8.	"		152 00
1897.			
Feb. 5.	"		27 89
Jan. 9.	Interest		20 48
1896.			
Dec. 3.	Check	$30 20	
	"	2 69	
12.	"	50 00	
23.	"	16 38	
Jan. 1.	"	12 00	
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Sept. 4.	"	50 00	
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Nov. 5.	"	50 00	
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		$993 55	

Report of Committee on Missionary Literature was read and adopted.

REPORT OF MISSIONARY LITERATURE.

We cannot well over-estimate the value of good reading matter; and in order to awaken interest in the work of missions, we should induce the people to read such periodicals and books as will give them correct and needed information.

The pamphlet, written and published by Prof. E. L. Moffitt, by order of this Association, is now before the public and deserves extensive circulation. Others of like character, we trust, will soon appear.

We recommend the "Christian Missionary," published at Dayton, Ohio, and the "Missionary Review of the World."

W. J. LAINE,
J. W. HARRELL,
W. S. LONG.

The following requests to withdraw were granted: Rev. W. G. Clements, Rev. J. T. Atkinson, Ladies' Aid Society of Franklin, Va., Missionary Society of Frank-

linton, N. C., New Providence Church, I. W. Norfleet, Mrs. Richard Pell, Mrs. W. H. Trolinger, Y. W. C. A. of Elon College.

The committee to whom was referred the matter of recommending plans for enlarging the revenue of the Association, made its report, and after some discussion, was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Your Committee, to whom was referred the matter of enlarging our revenues, after consideration, recommend that this matter be referred to the Mission Secretary and Executive Committee.

W. W. STALEY,
W. J. LEE,
C. A. SHOOP,
W. T. HERNDON.

On motion of Dr. W. W. Staley, Rev. J. P. Barrett was allowed $5 per Sunday to supply his pulpit when necessarily absent in the service of the Association.

Interesting letters were read from Profs. E. L. Moffitt, J. O. Atkinson and S. A. Holleman.

On motion, the minutes of this session were ordered to be published in the "Annual," at the same rate of cost as last year.

On motion, the Association adjourned to meet at 7.30 p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

Called to order by the President.

Rev. J. P. Barrett, D.D. delivered an address on subject: "Gospel Destitution in all Lands," using a large map to show the religious condition of the world.

On motion of W. S. Long, D.D., the Association returned a vote of thanks to the people of Windsor for their kind and hospitable entertainment during the session.

After some remarks by the President, the Association adjourned to meet again according to the order of the Executive Committee. Benediction by Rev. J. P. Barrett.

The entire programme was interspersed with beautiful music by the Windsor choir.

W. J. LAINE, Secretary.

CHURCH STATISTICS.

Churches.	Pastors.	Secretaries and Their Post Office.	Number Reported, '96.	Number Received Since.	Number Dismissed by Letter.	Number Suspended.	Number Withdrawn.	Number Died.	Number Expelled.	Present Membership Dec. 1, '97.
Auburn	J. O. Atkinson	Wm. Watts, Auburn, N. C	51	1	1					51
Antioch										70
Amelia										
Beulah	J. D. Wicker	J. B. Edwards, Rolesville, N. C	74	4	2		3			73
Bethany	J. S. Carden	L. S. Carden, Breeze, N. C	64					2		62
Catawba Springs	P. H. Fleming	T. M. Franks, Raleigh, N. C	103	3	1			2	7	96
Christian Chapel	G. R. Underwood	L. S. Mann, Chalk Level, N. C	183	10	3		2	3		185
Christian Light		A. T. Arnold, May, N. C	25	1		2	2			22
Damascus	P. T. Klapp	M. A. McCauley, Chapel Hill, N. C	110		1			1	3	105
Ebenezer	W. G. Clements	J. N. Carpenter, Raleigh, N. C	76	19	1				9	85
Good Hope	C. H. Rowland									
Hayes' Chapel	W. G. Clements	G. O. Barbee, Garner, N. C	120		2			3		115
Liberty	J. D. Wicker	B. R. Eaves, Epsom, N. C	178	21	1			3		193
Mount Auburn	M. L. Hurley	S. P. Read, Palmer's Spring, Va	159	1			2			158
Morrisville	W. D. Harward	J. H. Moring, Morrisville, N. C	44	2		11				35
Martha's Chapel	J. A. Jones	W. A. Ellington, Elm Grove, N. C	37	4					2	39
Mount Carmel	J. D. Wicker	W. J. Willson, Wilton, N. C	24	22					1	50
Moore Union	G. R. Underwood	N. A. Matthews, Grotto, N. C	73			15	2		1	55
Mount Gilead	J. D. Wicker	W. B. Hunter, Ingleside, N. C	17	4			1			20
Mount Hermon	W. G. Clements	W. I. Beasley, Auburn, N. C	46	1						47
New Hill										
New Elam	J. A. Jones	J. A. Goodwin, Merry Oaks, N. C	193	5	2		4	2	7	183
New Hope	J. D. Wicker	Minnie King, Riley's X Roads, N. C	87	8			2	1	4	88
Oak Level	J. D. Wicker	A. C. Wicker, Franklinton, N. C	116	9	1		3		1	120
O'Kelly's Chapel	W. D. Harward	J. W. Atkins, Williams' Mills, N. C	99	1	3		1		1	95
Poke's Chapel	M. L. Hurley	Annie L. Jones, Franklinton, N. C	103	13						116
Plymouth	A. P. Barbee	J. W. Rhodes, Kadar, N. C	70	8	6			1	1	70
Pleasant Grove		E. S. Coates, Pratt, N. C								
Pleasant Hill	L. W. Mangum	L. Mangum, Benson, N. C	88	4	1	1				90
Pleasant Union	L. W. Mangum	W. J. Long, Bowie's Creek, N. C	63	3	2					64
Piney Plain	W. G. Clements	T. H. Priner, Massey, N. C	47	3				1		49
Raleigh	J. L. Foster	F. T. Ricks, Raleigh, N. C	69	4	4			2	5	62
Shallow Well	G. R. Underwood	J. C. Kelley, Jonesboro, N. C	144	31				2		173
Six Forks	W. G. Clements	Mrs. Alma Penny, Six Forks, N. C	12	3						15
Spilona	J. W. Fuquay	R. I. Lassiter, Spilona, N. C	20							20
Turner's Chapel	A. P. Barbee	A. W. Wicker, Colon, N. C	58	5	1				1	61
Wake Chapel	J. D. Wicker	J. E. Ballentine, Varina, N. C	202	38	4		10	5	3	218
Wentworth		C. H. Stevenson, Raleigh, N. C								19
Youngsville	C. H. Rowland	T. L. Moss, Youngsville, N. C	36			7		1		28

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SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Churches.	Superintendents and their Post Offices.	No. Schools.	No. Classes.	No. Officers & Teachers.	No. Pupils.	Total Con'd with S. S.	No. Volumes in Library.	Do you use S. S. Literature.	Total paid by S. S. in '97.	Paid Pastor.	Paid Home Missions.	Paid Foreign Missions.	Paid Education.	Paid Conference Fund.	Paid Superannuated Fund.	Paid Other Purposes.	Total Paid, 1897.	Val. Church Property.
Auburn	J. E. Langston, Auburn	1	4	7				Yes		$75.00	$5.00	$2.86	$2.86	.50	.50		$86 72	$700
Antioch																		500
Amelia																		
Beulah	L. D. Scarborough, Rolesville	1	4	7	100	107		Yes		50.00	5.00	1.00	2.00	.50	$1.00		59.50	500
Bethany										12.50	1.00						13.50	400
Catawba Springs	J. G. Langston, Raleigh	1	3	6	56	62		Yes	$5.00	130.00	15.00	5.00	3.00	$1.00	1.00	$33.00	188.00	500
Christian Chapel	A. C. Davis, Peace	1	3	9	71	80	40	Yes	1.60	60.00	.50	1.00					61.50	1,000
Christian Light											1.00	.50		.50			2.00	800
Damascus	I. W. Pritchard, Lindsay	1	5	7	65	72		Yes	10.00	125.00	15.00	7.00	5.00	1.00	1.00		154.00	1,500
Ebenezer	M. J. Carlton, Flint	1	3	6	25	31	12	Yes			6.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	.50	1.90	12.40	300
Good Hope																		
Hayes Chapel	J. P. Goodwin, Garner	1	3	7	60	67		Yes	8.00	50.00	1.00	1.00				1.93	53.93	800
Liberty	E. A. Newman, Epsom	1	6	11	160	171		No	15.00	102.50	12.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	2.00		127.50	1,000
Mt. Auburn	T. J. Haskins, Keats, Va.	1	5	11	53	64	50	Yes	10.00	150.00	20.00	8.00	8.00	2.00	2.00	20.00	210.00	1,000
Morrisville	J. H Moring, Morrisville	1	3	4	20	24	25	Yes	15.00	60.00	5.00	3.00	3.00	.40	.50	4.50	75.40	500
Marthas Chapel	J. C. Morgan, Williams Mills	1	3	5	54	59	25	Yes	16.00	47.00	6.00	3.00		.75			56.75	800
Mt. Carmel	J. W. Mitchell, Wilton	1	5	8	50	58	50	No	3.00		3.00	1.00	.30	.20	.30		4.80	300
Moore Union	J. R. Wicker, Lonely	1	3	5	40	45	18	Yes	3.00	26.60	.75	.75		.50			28.60	300
Mt. Gilead	C. M. Batholomew, Oswego	1	5	8	39	47		Yes		17.00	.50	.25	.25	.20	.20		18.40	200
Mt. Hermon	A. Penny, Penny	1	4	6	50	56	20	Yes	5.00	60.00	3.00	1.00	1.00	.50	.50	9.60	75.60	500
New Hill																		
New Elam	W. P. Holt, Merry Oaks	1	4	12	85	97	25	Yes	11.00	60.00	2.80	2.75					65.55	1,000
New Hope	J. M. King, Royal	1	6	9	130	139	12	Yes	7.56	55.00	4.00	2.00	.70	.50			64.20	400
Oak Level	J. C. Williams, Youngsville	1	5	10	60	70	20	Yes	8.00	125.00	10.00	5.00	5.00	1.30	2.00	.50	148.80	800
O'Kellys Chapel	C. S. Holloman, Durham	1	4	7	59	66	75	Yes	7.00	60.00	10.00	5.00	2.00	1.00	1.00		79.00	700
Poke's Chapel										125.00	5.00	1.00					131.00	1,500
Plymouth	D. D. Banks, Banks	1	3	5	46	51		Yes	4.00	55.50	5.00	2.00		.75	1.00		64.25	700
Pleasant Grove																		500
Pleasant Hill										15.00	1.50	.50	.50	.50			18.00	400
Pleasant Union											1.50			.59			2.09	400
Piney Plain	T. H. Prince, Massey	1	3	6	40	46		No	4.00	44.05	2.00	1.00	1.00	.30	.50	10.09	58.94	400
Raleigh	J. A. Mills, Raleigh	1	5	14	116	130	106	Yes	87.97	239.43	12.00	4.00	3.00	.75	1.00	121.95	382.13	7,000
Shallow Well	J. B. Watson, Jonesboro	1	5	8	78	86		Yes	8.20	100.00	5.26	2.71	2.34	1.20	1.20	1.58	114.29	800
Six Forks	J. H. Fleming, Raleigh	1	3	3	60	63	2	Yes	12.00	25.00	.50	.25	.25	.20	.20	1.20	27.60	200
Spilona											3.00	.50		.50	.50		4.50	500
Turners Chapel	W. B. Dowdy, Sanford	1	4	8	40	48	10	Yes	3.00	40.00	3.00	1.00	1.00	.50	.50	.50	46.50	600
Wake Chapel	Mrs. I. Jones, Ballentines Mills									100.00	16.00	6.00	5.00	2.00	1.00	10.00	140.00	800
Wentworth																		100
Youngsville	J. C. Winston, Youngsville	1	4	7	41	48	12	Yes	8.72	50.00	3.00	1.00	1.00	.28	.50	.50	56.28	1,200

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GA. AND ALA. CONFERENCE.

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Swank, C. H., Linville, Va.

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THE HOLIDAYS.

Good Friday—March 31.
Easter Sunday—April 2.
Christmas—Monday, Dec. 25.

ECLIPSES, 1899.

In the year 1899 there will be five eclipses, three of the Sun and two of the Moon.

I. A PARTIAL ECLIPSE OF THE SUN, January 11th-12th. Visible to the Northwestern Corner of North America.

II. A PARTIAL ECLIPSE OF THE SUN, June 7th-8th. Visible to the extreme Northern part of North America.

III. A TOTAL ECLIPSE OF THE MOON, June 23rd-24th. Partly visible to the Western coast of North America.

IV. An ANNULAR ECLIPSE OF THE SUN, December 2nd-3rd. Invisible.

V. A PARTIAL ECLIPSE OF THE MOON, December 16. Visible; beginning at 6h. 45m. P. M.; ending at 10h. 7m. P. M., Eastern time.

MOON'S PHASES.

FOR JANUARY.

	D. H. M.		D. H. M.
☾ Last Quarter,	4 10 12 p. m.	☽ First Quarter,	18 11 36 p. m.
New Moon,	11 5 49 p. m.	Full Moon,	26 2 34 p. m.

FOR FEBRUARY.

	D. H. M.		D. H. M.
☾ Last Quarter,	3 0 24 p. m.	☽ First Quarter,	17 3 52 p. m.
New Moon,	10 4 31 a. m.	Full Moon,	25 9 16 a. m.

FOR MARCH.

	D. H. M.		D. H. M.
☾ Last Quarter,	4 11 6 a. m.	☽ First Quarter,	18 10 24 p. m.
New Moon,	11 2 53 p. m.	Full Moon,	27 1 18 a. m.

FOR APRIL.

	D. H. M.		D. H. M.
☾ Last Quarter,	3 6 55 a. m.	☽ First Quarter,	17 5 43 p. m.
New Moon,	10 1 21 a. m.	Full Moon	25 2 22 p. m.

FOR MAY.

	D. H. M.		D. M. H.
☾ Last Quarter,	2 0 46 p. m.	☽ First Quarter,	17 0 13 p. m.
New Moon,	9 0 38 p. m.	Full Moon,	25 0 49 a. m.

☾ Last Quarter, 31 5 54 p. m.

FOR JUNE.

	D.H.M.		D.H.M.
New Moon,	8 1 20 a. m.	Full Moon,	23 9 20 a. m.
First Quarter,	16 4 46 a. m.	☾ Last Quarter,	29 11 45 p. m.

FOR JULY.

	D.H.M.		D. H. M.
New Moon,	7 3 31 a. m.	Full Moon,	22 4 41 a. m.
First Quarter,	15 6 59 a. m.	☾ Last Quarter,	29 7 42 p. m.

FOR AUGUST.

	D.H.M.		D.H.M.
New Moon,	6 6 48 p. m.	Full Moon,	20 11 45 a. m.
First Quarter,	14 6 54 p. m.	☾ Last Quarter,	27 6 57 a. m.

FOR SEPTEMBER.

	D.H.M.		D H.M.
New Moon,	4 10 33 a. m.	Full Moon,	19 7 31 p. m.
First Quarter,	12 4 49 a. m.	☾ Last Quarter,	26 10 2 p. m.

FOR OCTOBER.

	D.H.M.		D.H.M.
New Moon,	4 2 14 a. m.	Full Moon,	18 5 4 a. m.
First Quarter,	12 1 9 p. m.	☾ Last Quarter,	26 4 40 p. m.

FOR NOVEMBER.

	D.H.M.		D.H.M.
New Moon,	3 5 26 p. m.	Full Moon,	17 5 18 p. m.
First Quarter,	10 8 35 p. m.	☾ Last Quarter	25 1 34 p. m.

FOR DECEMBER.

	D.H.M.		D.H.M.
New Moon,	2 7 47 a. m.	Full Moon,	16 8 31 a. m.
First Quarter,	9 4 2 a. m.	☾ Last Quarter,	24 10 57 a. m.

THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

From the meeting of the first General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, held in Baltimore, Nov. 1, 1792, the Christian church dates its origin. During the sitting of that body, Rev. James O'Kelly, a presiding elder and one of the strongest and most influential Methodists of his time, introduced a resolution providing that when a minister was not satisfied with the circuit to which his Bishop had appointed him, he could appeal to conference, and if his appeal were sustained, the Bishop should give him another appointment. After a long and heated debate the resolution was lost. The next day O'Kelly and about thirty other ministers sent in their resignations and withdrew from Conference. Next year they met at Manokin Town, N. C., and organized a body taking the name of "Republican Methodists," not intending to cut themselves entirely loose from the Methodist church. They soon found, however, that such a course was impracticable; and in 1794 they again met in conference at old Lebanon church, Surry County, Va., and there, at the suggestion of Rev. Rice Haggard, they decided henceforth to wear only the name "Christian," to take the Bible itself as their only creed, and to allow each church to govern itself.

A little later, in the year 1801, Rev. Abner Jones and a few faithful followers in New England, left the Baptist church; while still later, in 1803, Rev. Barton W. Stone and others, in the West, renounced the faith of the Presbyterian church. Both these separations were on account of the lack of liberality on the part of the old churches; and they, too, adopted the name "Christian," took the Bible as their only creed, and recognized the independence of each individual church. It is a singular and suggestive fact that no one of these three bodies knew of the similar action of the other bodies until some years afterwards. Finally, when communication between the three sections became easier, they soon saw their oneness of purpose, and quickly united their forces in a common cause.

This simultaneous revolt against the three great American churches, though for a time seemingly unimportant,

was in harmony with the spirit of the age—a natural outgrowth of the times. It was the idea of independence rising above the social and reaching into the religious life of the world. Others were content with freedom from political tyranny; the Christians went a step further, and demanded freedom from ecclesiastical and dogmatical tyranny.

Their progress was, at first, necessarily slow, as is the case with all reformatory movements. Other denominations were already established, and hence had the power, wealth, and influence of the country at their command. This gave our small, unorganized, ill-equipped band of faithful soldiers whole armies of well-organized and equipped hosts to meet in the battle for religious liberty. But notwithstanding this rather unpromising beginning, we have struggled on in our efforts for what we believe to be right and for the good of humanity. We have had our share of opposition, neglect, and derision. The darts of the enemy have been many and poisoned; but 'we have striven to take unto ourselves the whole armour of God, that we may be able to withstand in the evil day, having our loins girt about with truth, having on the breastplate of righteousness, and our feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; above all taking the shield of faith, wherewith we shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked, and taking the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the spirit, which is the word of God,' we have pressed forward with an unfaltering trust in Him who guides the destinies of all peoples, and success is crowning our efforts.

Programme

of

Eleventh Regular Session

of

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Raleigh, N. C., April 29, to May 3, 1898.

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Programme.

FRIDAY, APRIL 29.—8 P. M.

1. Devotional service. Conducted by Rev. J. W. Wellons, of Durham, N. C.
2. Address of Welcome. By Rev. J. L. Foster, Pastor Raleigh Christian Church.
3. Response. By Mr. W. F. Price, of Atlanta, Ga.
4. Organization, Election of Officers, Appointment of Committees, etc.
5. President's Address.
6. Miscellaneous Business.
7. Adjournment.

SATURDAY, APRIL 30.—9:30 A. M.

1. Devotional Service. Conducted by Rev. G. R. Underwood, of Jonesboro, N. C.
2. Roll-Call, Reading and Approving Minutes, etc.
3. Report of Executive Committee. W. W. Staley, Chairman.
4. Report of Children's Treasurer. Rev. J. L. Foster.
5. Report of Publishing Agent. Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Editor CHRISTIAN SUN.
6. Report of Treasurer. Mr. J. A. Mills, of Raleigh, N. C.
7. Miscellaneous Business.
8. Adjournment.

SATURDAY, APRIL 30.—3 P. M.

1. Devotional Service. Conducted by Rev. W. G. Clements, of Morrisville, N. C.
2. Miscellaneous Business.
3. Subject, Education; Report of Committee on Schools and Colleges, and Discussion of Same. Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., Chairman.
4. Adjournment without the vote on Report.

SATURDAY, APRIL 30.—8 P. M.

1. Devotional Service. Conducted by Rev. C. C. Peel, Haw River, N. C.
2. History of Elon College. Rev. J. O. Atkinson, Chairman of Faculty of Elon College.
3. The Relation of School and Church. Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., of Elon College, N. C.
4. The Financial Needs of Elon College and the Obligation of Wealth to Christian Culture. Rev. W. W. Staley, of Suffolk, Va.
5. Final vote on the Report on Schools and Colleges.
6. Report on Religious Exercises.
7. Adjournment.

SUNDAY, MAY 1.—CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

11 A. M.—Sermon. Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., of Elon College, N. C.
3 P. M.—The Mission Field. J. P. Barrett, D. D., of Norfolk, Va.
8 P. M.—Sermon. Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., of Suffolk, Va.

MONDAY, MAY 2—9:30 A. M.

1. Devotional Service. Conducted by Rev. J. D. Elder, of Alabama.
2. SUBJECT.—Home Missions. Rev. J. W. Wellons, Chairman. (1) Report of Committee and Discussion of the Same. (2) Report of the Missionary Association, and an Address on its History and Needs by its President, Rev. N. G. Newman, of Suffolk, Va. (3) The Last Decade of Missions in the Christian Church. Rev. P. H. Fleming, Burlington, N. C. (4) Our Obligation to the Home Field. Rev. W. T. Herndon, of the Virginia Valley.
3. Final vote on the Report.
4. Miscellaneous Business.
5. Adjournment.

MONDAY, MAY 2.—3 P. M.

1. Devotional Service. Conducted by Rev. R. H. Peel, of Virginia Valley.
2. SUBJECT.—Publications. (1) Report of Board of Directors of the Publishing House and Discussion. Mr. J. A. Mills, Chairman. (2) The Proposed Publishing House. Prof. E. L. Moffitt, of Raleigh, N. C. (3) Report of Committee on Religious Literature, and Discussion by Members of Committee. Rev. J. P. Barrett, Chairman.
3. Miscellaneous Business.
4. Adjournment without taking vote on Report.

MONDAY, MAY 2.—8 P. M.

1. Devotional Service. Conducted by Rev. H. H. Butler, of Suffolk, Va.
2. History of our Publishing Interests. Prof. P. J. Kernodle, of Richmond, Va.
3. The Scope and Responsibility of the Religious Press. Hon. E. E. Holland, of Suffolk, Va.
4. Final vote on the Report.
5. Miscellaneous Business.
6. Adjournment.

TUESDAY, MAY 3.—9:30 A. M.

1. Devotional Service. Conducted by Rev. J. D. Wicker, of Youngsville, N. C.
2. Election of Delegates to American Christian Convention.
3. Report of Committee on Orphanage, and Discussion of the Same. W. S. Long, D. D., Chairman.

4. Address on Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor. By Rev. M. W. Butler, of Berkley, Va.
5. Nomination of Trustees for Elon College.
6. Selection of Place for Next Meeting of the Convention.
7. Miscellaneous Business.
8. Adjournment.

TUESDAY, MAY 3.—3 P. M.

1. Devotional Service. Conducted by Rev. M. W. Butler, of Berkley, Va.
2. Report on Foreign Missions and Discussion. Rev. P. T. Klapp, of Elon College, Chairman.
3. Miscellaneous Business.
4. Adjournment without the vote on Report.

TUESDAY, MAY 3.—8 P. M.

1. Devotional Service. Conducted by Rev. M. L. Hurley, of Elon College.
2. The Duty of the Church to the World. Rev. P. T. Klapp, of Elon College, N. C.
3. Japan and Our Missionary Work in It. Rev. J. W. Holt, of Burlington, N. C.
4. Final vote on the Report.
5. Miscellaneous Business.
6. Adjournment.

It is suggested that the Addresses shall, in no case, exceed THIRTY MINUTES in length, and that most of them should be only TWENTY MINUTES long.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Southern Christian Convention

HELD AT

CHRISTIAN CHURCH,

RALEIGH, N. C.

April 29 May 3

Raleigh, N. C., Friday,
April 29, 1898.

The Southern Christian Convention met in regular biennial session, Friday, April 29, 1898, at 8 p. m., in the Raleigh Christian Church, and was called to order by Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., President. Rev. J. W. Wellons conducted religious exercises by reading Scripture lesson, Psalm 123, singing hymn 258, and prayer.

The address of welcome was delivered by Rev. J. L. Foster, pastor of the Raleigh church, which was responded to on behalf of the convention by Rev. N. G. Newman, of Suffolk, Va..

The roll of conferences was called, and the following members were enrolled:

North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference.—Ministers: J. W. Holt, J. W. Wel'ons, W T Hern on J O. Atkinson. Laymen: S. A. Holleman, J. T. Cobb.

Eastern Virginia Christian Conference:—Ministers: J. P. Barrett, D. D., W. W. Staley, D. D., W. S. Long, D. D., M. L. Hurley, M. W. Butler, N. G. Newman, H. H. Butler. Layman: L. H. Whiley.

Western North Carolina Christian Conference.—Ministers: P. H. Fleming, C. C. Peel. Laymen: E. L. Moffitt, W. P. Lawrence.

Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference.—Ministers: W. G. Clements, J. D. Wicker, G. R. Underwood,

J. L. Foster, W. D. Harward. Laymen: S. P. Read, J. H. Fleming, J. H. Moring, I. B. Watson, W. A. Ellington, J. A. Mills.

Valley Virginia Christian Conference.—Minter: R. H. Peel. Layman: C. H. Swank.

Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference.—Minister: J. D. Elder.

The convention proceeded with the election of officers to serve the next two years: Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., President; Rev. J. W. Wellons, Vice-President; Prof. S. A. Holleman, Assistant Secretary.

Rev. W. C. Wicker and Hon. S. P. Read were appointed to supply vacancies in the Committee on Publications.

Rev. C. C. Peel was appointed to supply vacancy in the Committee on Foreign Missions.

The President, Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., then proceeded to deliver the opening address.

On motion of Prof. J. O. Atkinson, the suggestions contained in the President's address were referred to the respective committees for consideration.

On motion of Prof. E. L. Moffitt, a copy of the address was furnished for publication in the "Christian Sun."

On motion, Rev. J. G. Bishop, of Dayton, Ohio, Secretary of the Mission Board of the American Mission Board of the American Christian Convention; Rev. B. S. Bachelor, of New Bedford, Mass., and Rev. W. I. Bassett, of Maine, were invited to seats in the convention as deliberative members, and were introduced to the convention by the President.

On motion Ministerial alternates were invited to seats as deliberative members: T. W. Strowd, S. B. Klapp, T. B. Dawson.

On motion, Rev. J. L. Foster, J. A. Mills, E. L. Moffitt and Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., were appointed a committee on Religious Exercises.

On motion the convention adjourned. Benediction by Rev. J. W. Wellons.

SECOND DAY.—MORNING SESSION.

Saturday, April 30, 1898.

The convention met and was called to order by the President. Religious services were conducted by Rev. G. R. Underwood. Hymn 192, "Jesus Lover of My Soul," prayer, Scripture lesson and hymn 907, "We praise thee O, God."

Roll was called, and minutes read and approved.

Bro. K. B. Johnson, delegate from the Eastern North Carolina Conference handed in credentials and was enrolled.

On motion Rev. Barrett, of Fayetteville Street Baptist church, was invited to a seat as a deliberate member.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

On July 29th, 1896, E. E. Holland, Willis J. Lee, and J. H. Fleming tendered their resignation as members of the "Board of Directors" of the "Publishing House," and Rev. J. W. Wellons, Jesse Winborne, and W. B. Mann were chosen to fill the vacancies caused by their retirement.

On January 5th, 1897, Rev. J. W. Holt sent in his resignation as a member of the same Board, and Hon. S. P. Read was elected to take his place.

On March 8th, 1897, D. J. Mood presented his resignation as "Children's Treasurer," and Rev. J. L. Foster was elected to act in that capacity and to conduct the Children's Corner in the "Christian Sun."

We also prepared a programme for this session of the convention, in accordance with instructions given us at the last meeting in 1896.

W. W. STALEY,
E. E. HOLLAND,
P. J. KERNODLE,
Executive Committee.

April 30th, 1898.

On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF CHILDREN'S TREASURER.

Children's Christian Orphanage Fund:

By total collections from Feb. 16, '97 to Dec. 31, '97.....$ 378.38
By total collection from Jan. 1, '98, to April 20, '98..... 120.00

TOTAL EXPENDITURE.

July 21, '97 to printing 250 cards—E. M. Uzzell	2.00
July 23, '97 to 500 envelopes and postage—Raleigh Stationary Company	2.38
To two telegrams—Maurice Joyce Eng. Co.....	.80
To composition, paper, press-work, postage Orphanage Supplement—E. L. Moffitt	12.40
To one Bible-reward card, collection—Baptist Book Store	4.00
To two cuts for Orphanage Sup.— E. L. Moffitt ..	3.08
To one cut of Rev. D. E. Millard.—E. L. Moffitt..	1.54
April 20, '98, to balance in bank and reported	$ 472.18
Total	$ 498.38

NOTE.—A few dollars have been reported but not collected.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. L. FOSTER,
Secretary and Treasurer.

Raleigh, N. C., April 20, 1898.

On motion the report was referred to Committee on Finance, to be appointed.

The President appointed J. H. Fleming, K. B. Johnson and Rev. J. W. Wellons a committee on Finance.

On motion, Rev. T. H. Baines, of Brooklyn, M. E. church this city, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

The Publishing Agent, Prof. E. L. Moffitt, submitted the following:

REPORT OF E. L. MOFFITT, PUBLISHING AGENT.

In account with the Southern Christian Convention, from June 5, 1896 to April 29, 1898:

HYMNARIES.	Dr.	Cr.
To 68 No. 1 Hymn.—Doz. rates (75c.).....	$51.00	
3 No. 1 Hymn.—Single rates ($1.00).....	3.00	
14 No. 1 Hymn.—Slightly damaged (50c.).....	7.00	
1 No. 2 Hymn.—Single rates ($1.25).....	1.25	
1 No. 2 Hymn.—Doz. rates, with others ($1.00).....	1.00	
1 N. 3 Hymn.—Doz. rates, with others ($1.25).....	1.25	
1 No. 4 Hymn.—Single rates ($3.00).....	3.00	
One name and address.....	.50	
One name	.25	
By cash on names, and postage.....		$ 1.52
on commission, 15 per cent.....		10.23
paid J. A. Mills, Treasurer.....		56.50
	$68.25	$68.25

Balance on hand: 127 good No. 1 Hymnaries; 4 slightly damaged No. 1; 54 No. 2; 41 No. 3; 1 No. 4.

PRINCIPLES AND GOVERNMENTS.

Until October 1, 1897, I reported to Prof. P. J. Kernodle, as directed by the Convention.

	Dr.	Cr.
Sales since October 1, 1897:		
To 28 Princ. and Govt.—Paper, at 25c	$ 7.00	
10 Princ. and Govt.—Cloth, at 50c	5.00	
2 Princ. and Govt.—Morocco, at 75c	1.50	
By cash on express and postage		$ 1.32
on commission, 15 per cent		2.03
paid J. A. Mills, Treasurer		10.15
	$13.50	$13.50

Principles and Government received from Prof. P. J. Kernodle: Paper, 265; cloth, 257; Morocco, 44.

Reported to Professor Kernodle: Paper, 74; cloth, 42; Morocco, 9.

Balance on hand: Paper, 163; cloth, 205; Morocco, 33.

Respectfully submitted,

E. L. MOFFITT,
Publishing Agent.

On motion the report was referred to Finance committee.

The Treasurer, J. A. Mills, submitted the following:

JOHN A. MILLS, Treasurer,
In account with Southern Christian Conference.

FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

1896.		Dr.	Cr.
June 8.	To balance on hand	$ 359.78	
Sept. 9.	Check R. H. Peel, Valley C. C	26.53	
Nov. 1.	E. A. Abell, Ga. and Ala. C. C	18.52	
25.	Thos. W. Strowd, N. C. and Va. C. C	193.69	
30.	T. J. Lawrence, E. Va. C. C	400.00	
1897.			
Mar. 20.	J. E. Ballentine, E. N. C. C	94.62	
May 26.	J. A. Turrentine, Western N. C	90.00	
July 1.	Interest	14.89	
Sept. 17.	Valley Christian Conference		28.85
Nov. 17.	T. J. Lawrence, E. Va. C. C		400.00

1898.			
Jan. 1.	Interest	18.31	
Feb. 8.	N. C. and Va. C. C.	179.56	
11.	J. A. Turrentine, W. N. C.	73.57	
April 4.	J. E. Ballentine, E. N. C. C.	79.97	
20.	Ga. and Ala. Conference	21.00	
		$1999.29	

1896. DISBURSEMENTS.

Oct. 5.	By check J. G. Bishop		$ 200.00
Sept. 17.	By check J. G. Bishop		300.00
1897.			
Feb. 8.	By check J. G. Bishop		300.00
Apr. 26.	By commissions		29.99
	On hand in bank		1169.30
			$1999.29

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

May 17, 1896.	To balance on hand	$ 5.27	

CONVENTION FUND.

1896.			
June 5.	To amount on hand to balance	$ 174.19	
1898.			
Apr. 20.	To amount from Ga. and Ala. C. C.	3.00	
1897.			
Jan. 4.	By cash to E. L. Moffitt		$ 51.00
	Commission		2.65
	Balance on hand		123.54
		$ 177.19	$ 177.19

PUBLICATION FUND.

1896.			
June 8.	To balance on hand	$ 13.78	
1897.			
Jan. 13.	To amount from W. G. Clements	122.40	
	Commission		$ 1.99
	By amount on hand to balance		134.19
		$ 136.18	$ 136.18
		$ 134.19	
Apr. 29.	Received from E. L. Moffitt since report was made out	$ 56.50	
	Received from E. L. Moffitt since report was made out	10.15	
	E. and O. E., balance due	$ 200.84	

J. A. MILLS, Treasurer.

On motion, the report was referred to Finance committee.

On motion, Rev. J. W. Carter, D. D., of the First Baptist church was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

On motion of Rev. J. W. Holt, the time for hearing the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was changed from Tuesday evening to Monday afternoon, the program—subject of Publications—to be continued into Monday evening.

The committee on Religious Exercises reported:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.

First Baptist Church—Sunday, 11 a. m,, Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., of Suffolk, Va.; 8 p. m., Rev. P. H. Fleming, of Burlington, N. C.

Presbyterian Church—11 a. m , Rev. B. S. Batchelor, D. D., of New Bedford, Mass.; 8 p. m., Rev. N. G. Newman, of Suffolk, Va.

Central M. E. Church—11 a. m., Rev. J. G. Bishop, of Dayton, Ohio; 8 p. m., Rev. W. T. Herndon, of Weyer's Cove, Va.

Fayetteville Street Baptist Church—11 a. m., Rev. M. L. Hurley, of Elon College, N. C.; 8 p. m., Rev. H. H. Butler, of Suffolk, Va.

Y. M. C. A., at A. & M. College—2 p. m., Rev. M. W. Butler, of Berkley, Va., and Prof. W. P. Lawrence, of Elon College, N. C.

Christian Church—11 a. m., Rev. W. G. Long, D. D., of Elon College, N. C.; 3 p. m., Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D. ("The Mission Field"), of Norfolk, Va.; 8 p. m., Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., of Suffolk, Va. [Rev. P. H. Fleming supplied for Dr. Long, he being absent.]

Garner Christian Church—Rev. H. H. Butler, of Suffolk, Va.

Brooklyn M. E. Church—11 a. m., Rev. J. W. Holt, of Burlington, N. C.

Epworth M. E. Church—8 p. m., Rev. C. C. Peel, of Haw River, N. C.

Adjourned to 3 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention met. Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. W. G. Clements.

On motion Rev. E. C. Glenn, of Central M. E. church, this city was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

The report of the Committee on Schools and Colleges was read; and, on motion of Prof. S. A. Holleman, received and considered seriatim.

After some discussion the first recommendation of the report was on motion recommitted.

On motion, Rev. Dr. Daniel of the First Presbyterian church, and Rev. Bro. Betts, of West End Baptist church, this city, were invited to seats as deliberative members.

The succeeding recommendations of the report were considered in turn and adopted. Further consideration of the report was deferred to the evening session.

On motion, the invitation extended by the Superintendent of the Institution for the Blind to visit them, Monday, May 2, at 5 p. m., to hear a 30 minute concert was accepted

On motion adjourned to meet at 8:30 p. m.

NIGHT SESSION.

The convention was called to order by the President. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. C. C. Peel.

The consideration of the Report of the Committee on Schools and Colleges was again introduced, when the first recommendation was submitted without material change and adopted.

The following took part in the discussion of the various items of the report: J. H. Fleming, W. S. Long, D. D., J. W. Holt, W. G. Clements, J. D. Wicker, N. G. Newman, S. A. Holleman, J. W. Wellons, H. H. Butler, J. G. Bishop, E. L. Moffitt, J. O. Atkinson, W. P. Lawrence, P. H. Fleming, W. C. Wicker, S. B. Klapp, W. T. Herndon, J. A. Mills, W. A. Ellington, M. L. Hurley, T. B. Dawson.

An address, the History of Elon College, was delivered by Rev. J. O. Atkinson.

A most encouraging statement with reference to the endowment of the college was made by the President of the College, Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D.

The report was adopted as a whole, which is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES.

The institutions established by the church stand pre-eminent as moral and spiritual factors in the world's advancement. Their efficiency will be promoted by holding them loyally true to their primary purpose, as auxiliaries to the church; by resisting all tendencies towards laxity of belief and moral habit; by emphasizing and eulogizing all that is in them that "makes for righteousness"; by insisting that personal character is the final end of all educational effort, and that the church and the college may be most efficient when interacting for the same great ends—the bringing in the kingdom of truth and virtue.

Religion and education are the two greatest agencies towards the enfranchisement of man from vice and ignorance. A christian culture and an intelligent piety are the pressing needs of this and every age, and the only hope of the world. In this modern "Age of Discontent," as Mr.

Bryce calls it, we are not to look at statecraft, or imposing philanthropic schemes, or to this or that self-appointed apostle of reform for the inauguration of a new and lengthy economy, but ever and only to the distinctively Christian institutions of the land as the appointed agents under God for the redemption of the race.

Elon College, which is owned by the Christian Church and under the special care of this body, is now near the end of its eighth scholastic year. The success of this institution has been an inspiration to every department of our church work and a great blessing to the world. It appeals to all friends of the church for patronage and liberal offerings.

Last summer the trustees did a part of the work on the girl's boarding hall that was recommended at your last session, and that building is now in excellent condition for the young ladies of the institution. They have also a very competent matron. This supplies a much needed want.

In order to pay off all the present indebtedness and put the college in a better condition financially, the Trustees decided in June, 1897, to issue bonds to the amount of $20,000. These bonds are to run ten years and pay 6 per cent. interest.

We recommend—

1. That the conferences composing this convention be requested to pay annually the sum of $1,600 until these bonds are paid; that the apportionment be as follows: E. Va. Conference, $600; N. C. and Va. Conference, $325; Eastern N. C. Conference, $275; Western N. C. Conference, $250; Va. Valley Conference, $75, and the Ga and Ala. Conference, $75. This money to constitute a college fund to be used only in paying principal and interest on these bonds. That each conference pay the several sums annually to the treasurer of the college, to be used only in paying the present indebtedness. And further, that we recommend to the trustees the propriety of the following change in tuition charges: That until these bonds are paid, that all beneficiaries of Elon College heretofore paying no tuition fees be required to pay one-half the regular rates.

2. That the conferences be requested to call the special attention of ministers and laymen to the great propriety of co-operating with the faculty and trustees in an effort to increase the patronage of the institution.

3. That this convention set apart some hour during its present session for the organization of a Historical Society.

4. That a Minister's Institute be held yearly at Elon College, N. C., beginning in June immediately succeeding the commencement, and that Revs. W. C. Wicker, P. H. Fleming and C. C. Peel be appointed a committee to inaugurate the work.

5. That we seek throngh the president of the college to raise a loan fund by donations to be used only in aiding worthy students who have fully shown capacity and gifts for great usefulness in completing their course in college. The president shall have control of this fund and must use it only for the purpose aforementioned, and then by and with the consent of the faculty. He must report in full to the trustees annually,

6. That the conferences be requested to establish at suitable points good preparatory schools.

7. That we again commend to the favorable consideration of our people the Christian Correspondence College, of which Rev Dr. Martyn Summerbell, of Lewiston, Maine, is president, and the Christian Biblical Institute, Stanfordville, N. Y.

W. S. LONG,
J. O. ATKINSON,
E. L. MOFFITT,
W. C. WICKER,
J. H. FLEMING,
Committve.

On motion ,the request of the editor for a copy of the address of Rev. J. O. Atkinson for publication in the Christian Sun was granted.

On motion the convention adjourned to meet Monday at 9:30 a. m. Doxology and benediction by Rev. C. C. Peel.

THIRD DAY.—MORNING SESSION.

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Monday, May 2, 1898.

The convention was called to order by the President. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. J. D. Elder.

Bro. W. A. Ellington handed in credentials and was seated.

Rev. J. U. Newman, Ph. D., of the Christian church and Rev. W. C. Norman, D. D., of the M. E. church were invited to seats as deliberative members.

The report of the Home Mission Committee was read:

REPORT OF HOME MISSION COMMITTEE.

It affords your committee much pleasure to be able to report that an effort has been made to carry out each recommendation made by the committee in its last report. Missionary societies have been organized; Children's Day observed, Mission column in the *Christian Sun* kept up, one missionary put in the field by the Christian Missionary Association, conferences have made contributions to the association for the general work, and all of our conferences have put forth efforts to occupy the fields in their respective bounds.

Since we last met in convention we note the following: That the Virginia Valley Conference has raised and expended $72.08 in their local Home Mission work. They report collections on the increase each year. They have a Conference Missionary, Rev. C. H. Swank. His last report showed two points in charge and one church organized.

The Georgia and Alabama Conference reports $281 25 raised for Home Missions. They have two Conference Missionaries, Revs. C. M. Dollar and J. W. Elder. Their work is very acceptable. This conference recommends the locating of missionaries convenient to mission points.

The Eastern Virginia Conference shows $1,514.67 raised for Home Missions. They are in the main looking to the towns and cities in the expenditure of Home Mission funds. Berkley and Norfolk have received aid from their hands.

The Western North Carolina Conference reports $227.38 for their work. It has been aiding the churches at Ramseur, Asheboro, Graham, St. Johns, Pleasant Cross and Keyser in securing pastors. Home Mission work is receiving more attention at the hands of this Conference than heretofore. The field is inviting.

The North Carolina and Virginia Conference for home work reports $391.04 raised. They have aided in the work at Durham, Haw River, South Boston, Va.; Kallum Grove, Goshen Chapel and Big Falls. Points aided are reported as hopeful. Interest in the Mission work on the increase.

Eastern North Carolina Conference shows $349.07 raised for the Home Mission field. They have given to Raleigh, Antioch, Six Forks, Mt. Gilead, Youngsville, Mountain Grove and Amelia. There is considerable activity in this Conference on the subject of missions. They favor putting a Conference Missionary in the field. They report an inviting field in the eastern part of this territory. This Conference has a band of Willing Helpers, established upon a money basis, which is doing efficient work.

The Christian Missionary Association has one missionary, Rev. W. T. Herndon, laboring in the bounds of the Virginia Valley Conference. He has been in the work since February 11th, 1897. His report November 9th, 1897, showed churches organized, 3; professiuns, 150; accessions to the church, 60, and three other points in charge.

In view of the foregoing, we, your committee, would recommend the following:

1. That we urge all of our conferences to continue their efforts with renewed zeal, to extend their borders, and that each conference urge the churches within their bounds to raise the full amount assessed.

2. That the several conferences continue their efforts in the organization of Missionary Societies, also that we continue to observe one day in June to be known as Children's Day. The offering of that day to go to missions.

3. We recommend the *Christian Missionary*, published by Rev. J. G. Bishop, Dayton, Ohio, as a paper worthy of and deserving our support.

4. That each of our conferences, as soon as possible, put one or more missionaries in the field, who shall devote their entire time to mission work; and we would further advise that each conference instruct the churches within their bounds to provide, as far as possible, resident church workers of the congregation, who shall go from house to house endeavoring to win souls to Christ.

5. We desire to call the attention of this body to the towns and cities as inviting fields, which must not be neglected by us. We desire also to call attention to the great importance of having thoroughly consecrated ministers, intellectually adapted to the mission work.

J. W. WELLONS, Chairman;
JAS. L. FOSTER,
S. A. HOLLEMAN,
W. G. CLEMENTS,
P. H. FLEMING, Secretary,
Committee.

"The needs of Home Missions" was discussed by Rev. J. L. Foster; "the Best Plans for raising money," by Rev. W. G. Clements; "Resident Church Workers," by Rev. P. H. Fleming; "Benefits derived by doing Missionary work in the City," by Prof. S. A. Holleman. The report was further discussed by Revs. J. D. Elder, J. G. Bishop, J. W. Wellons. Pending the discussion the report of the Christian Missionary Association was submitted by Rev. N. G. Newman, the president of the Association, which was adopted:

REPORT OF CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION, FROM MAY 25, 1892, TO DECEMBER 9, 1897.

Number of annual meetings held since organization.....	6
Number of special meetings.....	1
Average annual collection.....	$ 450.72 2-3
Total collection to December 9, 1897.....	2704.36
Interest paid by bank.....	64.83
Total	$2769.19

EXPENDITURES.

Amount paid Corresponding Secretary, 1893 and 1894.....	$ 510.00
Amount paid missionary, 1896 and 1897.....	600.00
Expense of investigating fields	50.36
Appropriated to churches, 1894.....	624.00
Paid for publishing minutes.....	21.00
Issuing two pamphlets	76.00
Missionary literature	16.38
Stationery	10.44
Expense of President, traveling for Association....	15.57
Expense of Missionary Secretary, traveling for Association	30.20
Total expenditures to December 9, 1897.....	$1954.95
Balance on hand December 9,1897.....	814.24
	$2769.19

N. G. NEWMAN, Pres. C. M. A.

A paper, "History of the Christian Missionary Association," was read by Rev. N. G. Newman; the "Last Decade of Missions in the Christian Church," by Rev. P. H. Fleming; "Our Obligation to the Home Field," by Rev. W. T. Herndon; "Mission Work," by Rev. W. S. Long, D. D. The report of the Home Mission Committee was adopted.

On motion, the papers on various subjects were asked to be furnished for publication in the "Christian Sun."

On motion adjourned to meet at 3 p. m. Doxology, and benediction by Rev. J. D. Elder.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention met. Devotional exercises by Rev. R. H. Peel.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was submitted, and after being discussed by Revs. J. W. Holt, J. G. Bishop, B. S. Bachelor, on motion, was adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your committee report that during the two years since June 5th, 1896, we have forwarded to Rev. J. G. Bishop, Mission Treasurer, $800 for the support of our missionaries in Japan, as follows:

October 5, 1896, cash	$200
September 17, 1897, cash	300
February 8, 1898, cash	300

And the Treasurer still has in hand $1,178.29, subjest to our disposal.

The following figures will show the work in Japan as reported by the Board of the American Christian Convention, July 1, 1897:

Missionaries from America	5
Natives	7
Churches	6
With a membership of	317
Sunday Schools	12
Number of pupils	740
Day schools	3
Pupils	110
Theological schools	1
Pupils	8

Money contributed by these churches, $154.88.

This gives us a net gain for the past two years of one missionary—Miss True, from America—ane one native Bible woman, two theological students, two ordained preachers, two organized churches, seventy-seven members, three Sunday Schools, 386 pupils.

From the prosperity with which the labors of our missionaries have been blessed, we have great reason to take courage and redouble our diligence in the work. The origin and date of our taking up the Foreign Mission work, its history progress and our responsibility for its support, are items of interest, and the latter should especially claim our attention. Therefore werecommend—

1st. That all our Conferences take steps to extend the circulaiton of the Christian Missionary, published by Rev. J. G. Bishop, Mission Secretary, Dayton, Ohio.

2d. That each Conference belonging to this Convention make special efforts to raise not less than the following amounts, viz.: Valley of Virginia, $50; Georgia and Alabama, $50; Eastern N. C., $150; Western N. C., $150; N. C. and Virginia, $200; Eastern Virginia, $400.

3d. That the Treasurer of each Conference, immediately after adjourning, forward all funds belonging to Foreign Missions to John A. Mills, Raleigh, N. C., Treasurer of this Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. HOLT,
C. C. PEEL,
R. H. PEEL,
Committee.

Dr. L. Branson, of the Methodist church was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

The convention having accepted an invitation to visit the Institution for the Blind, adjourned to meet at 8 p. m.

NIGHT SESSION.

The President called the convention to order. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. H. H. Butler.

The report of the Board of Directors of the Publishing House was read by Bro. J. A. Mills.

On motion the report was considered by items.

Bro. J. A. Mills was enrolled as a member in place of Bro. K. B. Johnson who was absent.

The report was discussed by Rev. J. W. Holt, J. A. Mills, Rev. P. H. Fleming, Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., J. D. Elder, J. P. Barrett, D. D., J. W. Wellons, J. L. Foster, and others, and after being amended, was adopted as follows:

We, the Board of Directors of the Southern Christian Publishing House, beg leave to submit the following report:

We have held four meetings in the city of Raleigh. W. B. Mann was elected Secretary and Treasurer. We requested E. L. Moffitt to act as agent in the solicitation of funds for the establishment of the Publishing House. We have had corporation papers drawn, which we expect to file as soon as we have enough funds in the treasury to justify us in going ahead with the work. This is as far as we have felt justified in going up to the present time. The funds now in sight are as follows:

Bona fide notes and subscriptions	$485.00
Cash	2.62
Amount publication fund placed at our disposal	200.00
Amount in Conference treasurer's hands, approximate	125.00
Making a total of	$812.62

Considering the little time that the agent has been able to devote to this work, and the failure of many pastors to present the cause to their churches, we feel that this report is very encouraging. For the furtherance of the enterprise and the quickening of individual interest we recommend the following:

1st. That this Convention urge the importance of more hearty co-operation on the part of the Conferences, ministers and laymen.

2d. That the publishing house assessment be discontinued for the present, but that the agent be continued, and that he is hereby instructed to take private subscriptions and donations for the same; and that one collection be taken in each church during the Conference year for this purpose.

3d. That Prof. E. L. Moffitt be requested to act as agent in securing donations and bona fide subscriptions and bonds, and that he be paid ten per cent. on all money received and paid over to the Treasurer on notes, subscriptions, etc., only when the money on same has been collected and paid in.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. MILLS,
J. W. WELLONS,
W. B. MANN,
Directors.

Raleigh, N. C., April 29, 1898.

On motion, tomorrow 3 p. m., was made a special hour for the organization of a Historical Society.

It was decided to resume tomorrow the work as outlined by the program, where left off on adjournment.

The convention adjourned to meet at 9:30 a. m.

FOURTH DAY.—MORNING SESSION.

Tuesday, May 3, 1898.

The convention met and was called to order by the President. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. J. D. Elder.

On motion Rev. R. H. Whitaker, of the M. E. church was invited to a seat as an honorary member.

The Committee on Publications submitted its report, which, on motion, was considered by items.

REPORT OF PUBLICATION COMMITTEE.

Our two-years term of service has been rather uneventful, and very little special work has been done. We have no funds for aggressive work along special lines, and the present excited condition of our country seems unfavorable to financial improvement; and hence, the prospect for an early enlargement in this department of our work is not flattering.

We regret that we cannot report encouraging progress in the Publishing House enterprise projected by this body two years ago. The work being in the care of a competent Board of Directors, we have felt it our duty to do what we could for the enterprise by giving it our moral support, but not by any effort to supervise its management. The enterprise meets our hearty approval, but we wish to suggest to this body the wisdom of limiting the idea of the act of purchasing and operating the Christian Sun as the organ of this body, and we further recommend that in the purchase and operation of the plant the Convention shall not be involved in debt, but this is not intended to direct the directors to purchase the Sun unless they see proper to do so.

The Christian Sun has served us faithfully and with becoming zeal for our work, and its service has been satisfactory to our people. Its literary make-up is good, and the support given it has been encouraging.

We urge our people to give the Sun a hearty support. We cannot allow our paper to suffer in any direction without a corresponding loss to our cause; and to this end we must be alive to both its external and internal interests.

We recommend that Prof. E. L. Moffitt be continued as publishing agent and editor for the ensuing two years.

We heartily commend to our people the Sunday-school supplies published by our people at Dayton, Ohio. We shall be glad to see these publications in all of our schools.

The Herald of Gospel Liberty is the organ of the American Christian Convention, and as such we commend it, not in any wise as a competitor for the Sun's patronage, but as a medium of communication at large among our people. Its matter is not always acceptable to our people, but in the main it is good, and it is aggressive in its work for our distinctive principles.

The Christian Missionary, edited and published by Rev. J. G. Bishop, at Dayton, Ohio, is not only one of the youngest candidates before our people for their patronage, but in its line it is excellent and well adapted to its purpose. It is, indeed, in the front line of the battle we are waging against sin and its darkness, looking to the one grand end of winning the world to Christ. Its future is bright with prospects of great usefulness in the Lord's vineyard.

Respectfully submitted,

J. PRESSLEY BARRETT,
M. W. BUTLER,
N. G. NEWMAN,
W. C. WICKER,
S. P. READ.

The report was discussed by Revs. J. P. Barrett, D. D., W. S. Long, D. D., Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Rev. B. S. Bachelor, J. W. Wellons, J. L. Foster, J. D. Elder and others.

"History of Our Publishing Interests," by P. J. Kernodle.

The report on Religious Literature was adopted.

The convention on motion went into the election of delegates to the American Christian Convention which meets in October, 1898, at New Market, Ontario. The election resulted as follows:

Ministers: P. H. Fleming, J. P. Barrett, D. D., W. G. Clements, J. L. Foster, J. W. Wellons.—Alternates for principals respectively: J. W. Holt, J. O. Atkinson, C. C. Peel, M. L. Hurley, J. D. Elder.

Laymen: E. L. Moffitt, E. E. Holland, J. A. Mills, K. B. Johnson, J. H. Fleming—Alternates for principals respectively: W. J. Lee, C. H. Swank, W. A. Ellington, J. T. Cobb, W. F. Price.

On motion the delegation was empowered to fill any vacancy from alternates present at the American Christian Convention.

Letters were presented by Rev. J. L. Foster from Rev. J. J. Summerbell, D. D., Editor Herald of Gospel Liberty, B. M. Stodard, Publishing Agent, Rev. J. F. Burnett, Secretary American Christian Convention, Rev. J. P. Watson, D. D., editor Sunday School Literature, Rev. J. B. Weston, D. D., President Christian Biblical Institute.

On motion the Secretary of this convention was directed to extend the fraternal greetings of this body to these brethren.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The convention was called to order. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. M. W. Butler.

The committee on Orphanage submitted the following, which on motion was adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORPHANAGE.

Since your last session we have considered the matter committed to us with much care, and canvassed the situation diligently, but have not decided on a location or begun work. With funds at our

command, we could not have opened such an institution to the helpless and neglected children among us. Until funds are supplied we are helpless also.

The little children of our church, however, have not been idle. They have in the last fourteen months contributed $498.38 for this purpose. They have set us a good example, and we trust all will follow it. They and Bro. Foster deserve our hearty thanks and co-operation. We have no plan to submit, but consider the one adopted two years ago as well suited to the work.

We recommend—

1. That we commend this matter to our entire brotherhood, especially the Conferences, pastors, and churches, and invite active co-operation.

2. That Rev. J. L. Foster be requested to continue his work in the Children's Corner; that he be authorized to solicit donations for the Orphanage, and pay over all funds to the Treasurer of this body; and that while acting in this capacity he shall be known as Financial Secretary of the Orphanage.

3. That a committee of three be appointed to receive and consider bids for location of an Orphanage, without authority to contract any debt except for actual expenses while in discharge of the duty hereby imposed.

W. S. LONG,
J. A. MILLS,
E. L. MOFFITT.

The report was discussed by Revs. W. S. Long, D. D., J. L. Foster, J. P. Barrett, D. D., P. H. Fleming, J. D. Wicker, B. S. Bachelor, J. W. Wellons, and Prof. E. L. Moffitt.

On motion a committee was appointed to make nominations for Trustees of Elon College, viz: Revs. W. S. Long, J. P. Barrett, J. W. Wellons.

We, your committee report as follows:

Trustees for Elon College: E. T. Pierce, W. J. Lee, P. J. Kernodle, J. F. West, E. E. Holland, J. L. Foster, W. G. Clements, M. W. Butler, J. W. Holt, W. T. Herndon.

On motion the convention went into the selection of a place for next session, which resulted in the choice of Franklin, Va., to meet on Friday before the first Sunday in May, 1900.

On motion, the following: J. A. Mills, J. W. Wellons, W.

B. Mann, Jesse Winborne, S. P. Read, were elected as the Board of Directors of the Publishing House.

The following were appointed by the convention a committee on Orphanage:

Rev. P. H. Fleming, Rev. J. W. Holt, J. A. Mills, Esq., Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., Dr. G. S. Watson.

The following accounts were allowed:

Southern Christian Convention, to P. T. Kernodle, 66 reply cards $1.32, and one telegram 40 cents	$1.72
To E. L. Moffitt, 1 M. Programs	3.75
To N. G. Newman, expense Pub. Com	.95
Total	$6.42

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Rev. J. W. Wellons, and after being discussed were adopted:

PREAMBLE AND RESOLUTION.

Whereas, Frequent changes are made among our members that place them remote from their church, causing them to remain away from their church and to lose their interest in the church and its work, becoming non-affiliating with the church and to go back to the world or drift into some other denomination at a dear loss to our church; therefore, for their own good and the good of the church, be it

Resolved, That the pastor of the church of such member shall give official notice to the pastor of the church where such member shall locate that he may have the oversight of such member and look after his spiritual welfare with a view of securing transfer.

Adjourned to meet at 8 p. m. Doxology, and benediction by Rev. M. W. Butler.

NIGHT SESSION.

The convention met with the President in the chair. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. W. T. Herndon.

FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

Your Committee on Finance beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the Treasurer's report, the report of the Children's Treasurer and the report of the Publishing Agent, and find all of said reports to be correct; and the committee recommends that said reports be approved.

The Committee recommends that the D. M. Williams notes be delivered to the Secretary of this Convention, and that he cancel them.

The committee find that the note for $100, which was given by W. S. Long and J. P. Barrett was for money used for Elon College, and not for the individual use of Drs. Long and Barrett. The committee therefore recommends that this note be delivered to Dr. W. S. Long to be cancelled.

The committee recommends that the Treasurer collect the J. F. Pleasant notes, if possible.

The committee recommends that the Treasurer have new notes drawn in the place of the old notes he holds against all other parties, said notes to be under seal and bear interest from date and payable not more than twelve months from date.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. FLEMING,
J. W. WELLONS,
Committee.

The President announced the following standing committees:

COMMITTEES.

Publications—J. P. Barrett, N. G. Newman, W. J. Lee, E. E. Holland, J. F. West.

Schools and Colleges—W. S. Long, J. O. Atkinson, E. L. Moffitt, W. P. Lawrence, J. H. Fleming, R. H. Peel.

Home Missions—J. W. Wellons, M. L. Hurley, J. D. Wicker, G. R. Underwood, S. A. Holleman.

Foreign Missions—P. T. Klapp, W. C. Wicker, C. C. Peel, J. D. Elder, W. T. Herndon, H. H. Butler.

Executive Committee—W. W. Staley, P. J. Kernodle, E. E. Holland.

"Address on Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor," by Rev. M. W. Butler.

On motion a Standing Committee on Christian Endeavor was appointed, viz: Revs. M. W. Butler, R. H. Peel, J. L. Foster.

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of this body are due and are hereby tendered the press of the city, the pastor of this church, members and all other friends and railroads for the many kindnesses shown to us during our stay in the City of Oaks. P. H. FLEMING.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

It was proposed that P. J. Kernodle box and ship to E. L. Moffitt, Publishing Agent, the unbound copies of Principles and Government in his possession, and that for these and the bound copies now in the hands of the Publishing Agent, he shall have returned to him his note $100 (which is now $89.85) and be paid $25 cash, when sales are made, in settlement, which was agreed to.

On motion, the minutes were ordered to be published in the Christian Annual.

On motion, adjourned to meet with the Christian church at Franklin, Va., on Friday before the first Sunday in May, 1900.

Doxology, and benediction by Rev. J. W. Wellons.

W. W. STALEY, President,
Suffolk, Va.

J. W. WELLONS, Vice-Pres.
Durham, N. C.

P. J. KERNODLE, Sec.
Richmond, Va.

S. A. HOLLEMAN, Asst. Sec.,
Elon College, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

VIRGINIA ✣ VALLEY ✣ CHRISTIAN ✣ CONFERENCE,

IN ITS

TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION.

Concord Christian Church, Rockingham Co., Va.
September 1, 1898.

The Virginia Valley Christian Conference convened here today is its twenty-ninth annual session and was called to order by Rev. R. H. Peel, President of last session.

Rev. R. H. Peel was re-elected President and Prof. J. J. Lincoln, Vice-President.

In the absence of the standing Secretary, Prof. J. J. Lincoln was elected Secretary pro tem. The roll was called with responses as follows:

MINISTERS.

Rev. R. H. Peel, present.
Rev. D. T. Deans, absent.

CHURCHES.

Antioch.—T. H. Showalter, C. H. Swank and C. A. Hinton.
Bethlehem.—D. C. Strickler and J. S. Martz.
Concord.—N. B. Holsinger and D. C. Golliday.
Linville.—C. D. Maphist and D. P. Rosenberger.
Mt. Grove.—No delegates.
New Hope.—Holmes Liskey and M. L. Bryant.
Woodland.—No delegates.
Woods' Chapel.—W. D. Bridges.
Bro. J. S. Martz was elected assistant secretary.

On motion Revs. E. T. Iseley, S. L. Baugher and A. G. B. Powers of the Central Virginia Christian Conference were invited to seats as deliberative members.

Rev. S. L. Baugher and A. G. B. Powers were enrolled as Fraternal messengers from the Central Virginia Conference.

Prof. J. J. Lincoln was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

On motion Rev. R. H. Peel, the delegates of Concord church and D. C. Strickler were appointed a committee on Religious Exercises.

The following schedule was adopted:

Meet at 9:30 a. m.

Adjourn at 11:30 a. m. for Religious Exercises.

Meet at 1:30 p. m.

Adjourn at will.

Rev. B. F. Black was elected to deliver the next annual address with Prof. J. J. Lincoln as alternate.

On motion the Annual Address was made the special order at 1 p. m. today.

The committee on Sunday Schools offered their report which after being discussed by Bros. J. S. Martz and J. J. Lincoln, was tabled until this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President in the chair.

After prayer by Bro. J. S. Martz, Bro. D. C. Strickler proceeded to deliver his annual address.

On motion, Prof. E. L. Moffitt, editor of the Christian Sun, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

Discussion on Sunday School report was resumed and report adopted as follows:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

There was a time when the church could trust the heads of families to impart the Bible truths to the youth; but that day has passed.

We can no more nourish the souls of the little ones without the Sunday-schools than we can nourish their bodies without bread. There is many a soul entirely dependent upon the Sunday-school for its spiritual maintenance. It behooves the teachers and officers to take the greatest care of these tender plants. They are priceless charges put into your hands. It is often in your power to say whether that child shall lead a beautiful life or whether it shall be lured away by the temptations of sin and lead a very ugly life.

Our superintendents and teachers begin to see the great responsibility that rests upon them, and to see the fine opportunities they have. Let this enlightenment stimulate us to gain a more thorough knowledge of the Bible. For, after all, the great end of the Sunday-school is to know the scriptures.

There are nine Sunday-schools now within the bounds of this Conference. This work is full of hope, as was manifested through the last Sunday-school Convention, and demands our admiration as well as our greatest attention and most hearty support.

Therefore we, your committee recommend the following resolutions:

1. That we use our literature. It is equal to the best, if not the best.

2. That we urge an earnest effort on the part of our pastors, superintendents and parents in behalf of getting their children into the Sunday-school.

3. That the officers and teachers be punctual in their attendance and that the presiding officer be prompt in opening the exercises at the appointed time.

4. That each teacher do the best he or she can to equip themselves for the work which their high calling demands.

J. S. MARTZ,
D. C. STRICKLER.

The following recommendations were added to the Sunday-school report:

1. That we use Arnold's Commentary, published at Dayton, Ohio, and Peloubet's Notes, published at Boston, Mass., as especially adapted for this work.

2. That we also use charts, maps and blackboard drawings following the suggestions in the Quarterlies.

On motion, Bro. D. C. Strickler was requested to furnish a copy of his address, delivered before this body today, for publication in the Christian Sun.

The report on Religious Literature, after an able discussion, was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Through the medium of its literature a church makes itself known to the outside world. If we want to know what a church has done, we read its history; if we want to know what it is doing now, we read the church paper; if we want to know its peculiar beliefs and doctrines, we read its principles and government, its rules of faith and practice, and its various tracts. If we, as a church, would have our light to shine before the world, we must give our hearty support to its publications. The publications can be made one of the most powerful factors in church growth. But it is not enough to publish ourselves to the world; we must thoroughly know each other. Our bonds of union must be more strongly united by frequent communication.

Therfore, seeing some of the needs, we, your committee, recommend—

1. That we, as a body, put forth greater effort to supply our homes with those books which proclaim our principles, and in all the blessed truths found in that Book of all Books, in which we take our stand as a church.

2. That our ministers, in their annual report to Conference, be required to report the number of renewals and subscribers to the Christian Sun they have received or helped to receive during each year.

3. That we use our Sunday-school literature and encourage, by our sympathetic support, all efforts to increase the volume of our religious literature along all lines of church belief and church work.

4. That each minister preach one sermon during the year on the principles of the Christian Church.

5. That we heartily endorse the Christian Sun.

D. C. STRICKLER,
J. S. KAGEY,
SAMANTHA A. WHITE.

Reports of fraternal messengers were called and several reported.

Conference adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9:30.

SECOND DAY.—SEPTEMBER 2.

Conference called to order by the President.

Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. S. L. Baugher.

Roll called and minutes of first day read and approved.

On motion, Rev. W. T. Herndon was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

On motion, conference went into the selection of a place to hold the next annual session. New Hope was selected.

On motion, conference went into the election of fraternal messengers to sister conferences.

The following were elected:

Central Virginia.—D. C. Golliday, D. C. Strickler, E. F. coln, and Rev. R. H. Peel.

North Carolina and Virginia.—J. S. Martz, C. H. Swank D. J. Sipe, and R. H. Peel.

Western North Carolina.—Revs. B. F. Black, D. T. Deans, and Bros. D. C. Strickler and J. S. Martz.

Eastern North Carolina.—J. S. Kagey, T. H. Showalter, and M. L. Bryant.

Georgia and Alabama.—R. H. Peel, and E. F. Liskey.

Eastern Virginia Conference.—D. C. Golliday, J. J. Lin-Liskey, J. S. Kagey, J. S. Martz, J. J. Lincoln and M. L. Bryant.

Prof. E. L. Moffitt was enrolled as a fraternal messenger.

Prof. Moffitt bore fraternal greeting from the Western North Carolina Conference.

The church letters from New Hope and Bethlehem were read.

The secretary read a letter from Rev. J. F. Burnett, Secretary American Christian Convention soliciting aid in defraying incidental expenses of said convention.

On motion it was agreed to take a public collection at the 11 o'clock services today for said purpose.

On motion, conference requested all local churches in the conference to have their secretaries send the annual church letter up to conference on the first day of the session.

The church letter from Woods' Chapel was read.

Ministerial Report Rev. B. F. Black read.

The committee on Religious Exercises offered the following report:

Preaching tonight by Rev. A. G. B. Powers.
Saturday at 11:30, Rev. W. T. Herndon.
Saturday night, Rev. R. H. Peel.
Sunday morning, Lecture by Prof. E. L. Moffitt.

On motion, Bro. W. H. Sipe, of Linville church was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

On motion, conference adjourned for preaching and dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President in the chair. Prayer by Rev. A. G. B. Powers.

Delegates were enrolled as follows:

Concord.—J. M. Huffman.

Woods' Chapel.—Miss Susan Neff, and Samuel Hyden.

On motion, the chair was requested to appoint a committee to arrange an order of business for next annual session.

C. A. Hinton, T. H. Showalter and D. C. Strickler were appointed.

The report on Education was read, discussed and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE.

There are two great ends in life: One is to develop ourselves physically, intellectually and spiritually to the highest possible pitch; and the other is to help our fellow-man gain the same high state of cultivation. George Peabody had the latter end in view when he uttered that famous sentence, "Education is a debt due from present to future generations." He confirmed his belief by donating millions to the cause of education. A like philanthropic spirit, the most noble spirit that ever aroused the emotions of man, has taken hold of some of our people and they have been donating quite liberally to Elon College. May others catch the same spirit and push the noble work forward. Education is the bulwark of our nation—the light and spirit of our church.

1. We recommend to the public and to our own people, Elon College. Its course of instruction compares favorably with any college in the South, and its morals are unsurpassed. It aims to send out true and godly men and women.

2. We recommend that the churches comprising the Conference be asked for twenty-five cents per member for educational purposes.

3. We recommend to our people a closer study of the principles of the Christian church and a more earnest effort to spread the knowledge of the same. Bro. Black is now in school at Elon College, and is also serving as pastor of two churches in North Carolina.

4. We recommend that the interest on all money borrowed by the Conference be paid out of the educational fund.

D. C. STRICKLER,
T. H. SHOWALTER,
W. H. SIPE.

Report on Foreign Missions was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

A review of the condition of our foreign field plainly reveals the fact that God is giving us something to do. The responsibility is upon us, and each must give a strict account of the part of the work that is his.

On this side of the water we need more of the love of God and His church in our hearts, and less of the love of self—more of self-denial and less selfishness. The Lord has blessed the efforts put forth for the evangelization of the world and He will ever be true to His promise, "My word shall not return unto me void."

More money is needed in our Japan field to carry on the work with the greatest success. A Christian church is much needed in Tokio, but means have not yet been obtained for its erection. For the want of means to support a new native pastor in Sendia, the Oji pastor had to be transferred to Sendai, leaving Oji without a regular pastor.

Mrs. Woodworth, owing to ill health, returned home last September. Professor Woodworth had a serious throat trouble, but is now improving. Since the climate of Japan does not suit Professor Woodworth and wife, the opening of a new field has been suggested.

One new missionary—Miss Alice True—has been added to the roll this year. She is now studying the language and customs of the people, preparing herself for efficient work.

The churches have raised the following this year: Antioch, $12.53; Bethlehem, $3.60; Linville, $2.35; Concord, $1; Woodland, ...; Wood's Chapel, ...; Mountain Grove, ...; New Hope, $18.25.

We recommend—

1. That each church be assessed the same next year as was asked for this year.

2. That each church have a missionary sermon and a Children's Mission Day at least once during the coming year.

3. That the pastor of each church appoint one to solicit subscriptions for the Christian Missionary.

Also we recommend the reading of the Missionary Department in The Sun.

4. That our people study more carefully and prayerfully the Bible, the greatest of all works on Missions, with the hope that we may imbibe the missionary spirit it contains and become more like Christ.

FLORENCE V. NEFF,
SAMANTHA A. WHITE.

Church letter from Antioch read.

Conference adjourned until 9:30 tomorrow morning.

THIRD DAY.—SEPTEMBER, 3.

Conference called to order by the President and devotional exercises conducted by Rev. W. T. Herndon.

The roll was called and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Church letter from Mt. Grove church was read.

On motion Revs. M. J. Roller and J. S. Roller of the German Baptist church were invited to seats as deliberative members.

On motion it was agreed this conference endorse the act of the General Convention in requesting the conference to pay $75.00 annually to Elon Collge.

On motion E. F. Liskey, of New Hope church, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

The report on Home Missions was read and discussed.

The report was tabled until the afternoon session and conference adjourned for preaching and dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Secretary.

Discussion on Home Mission report resumed, and report adopted as follows.

HOME MISSION REPORT.

We, your Committee on Home Missions, submit the following:

Amount of collections for the year ending September 1, 1898—Antioch, $13.33; Linville, $8.25; Bethlehem, $8; Concord, $1.70; New Hope, $18.27; Wood's Chapel, $2.80—making a total for the six churches of $52.35

We admire the mission spirit of New Hope Church, and hope other churches may be influenced to give more, though we would say we think the Conference as a whole has done fairly well, raising about one-third more than in any previous year.

1st. We would recommend that last year's assessment stand, with a slight change, as follows: Antioch, $18; Bethlehem, $15; Linville, $12; Concord, $5; New Hope, $15; Woodland, $5; Mt. Grove, $2.50; Wood's Chapel, $2.50.

2d. We would recommend that this Conference take two $10 memberships in the Missionary Association.

3d. We also recommend that the pastor of these several churches appoint one or more collectors in each church to collect Home Mission fund.

Respectfully submitted,

SAMANTHA A. WHITE,
T. H. SHOWALTER,
J. S. KAGEY.

Ministerial report of Rev. R. H. Peel was read.

The chair appointed the following standing committees:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Executive—J. S. Martz, T. H. Showalter, W. H. Sipe, J. C. Huffman, Samuel Erman.

Sunday-Schools—J. S. Martz, D. C. Strickler, C. H. Swank.

Home Misssions—T. H. Showalter, W. H. Sipe, M. L. Bryant, J. S. Kagey.

Foreign Missions—Mary Pickering, Florence V. Neff, Samantha White, Emma R. S. Rhodes.

Moral Reform—C. H. Swank, Samuel Erman, Casper Huffman, D. C. Golliday.

Religious Literature—J. S. Kagey, D. C. Strickler, D. P. Rosenberger, C. A. Hinton.

Education—D. C. Strickler, T. H. Showalter, W. H. Sipe, J. J. Lincoln.

On Establishment of School—J. J. Lincoln, W. H. Sipe, C. A. Hinton.

Linville church letter was handed in and read.

The Treasurer's report was read and adopted as follows.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

HOME MISSIONS.

	DR.		
Sept. 3, 1897.	To amount on hand	$ 35	
"	To collections at conference	33 59	
"	To C. H. Swank's, note returned	35 03	
"	To C. D. Maphis' note returned	61 27	
"	To C. A. Hinton's note in the hands of W. H. Sipe	34 34	
		$ 164 58	
	CR.		
Sept. 3, 1887.	By note and cash to Rev. C. H. Swank		$ 45 00
Jan. 8, 1898.	By cash paid Rev. C. H. Swank		12 50
Jan. 26, 1898.	By cash paid Dr. W. T. Herndon		25 00
Sept. 3, 1898.	To balance on hand embraced in C. A. Hinton and C. D. Maphis' note	$ 82 08	$ 82 50
Sept. 3, 1898.	To collections:		
	Antioch	13 33	
	Bethlehem	8 00	
	Linville	8 75	
	Concord	1 70	
	New Hope	18 25	
	Woodland	--------	
	Mt. Grove	--------	
	Wood's Chapel	2 00	
	Total Home Missions	$ 134 11	

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Sept. 3, 1897.	To collections at conference	$ 28 85	
Sept. 4, 1897.	By amount to Rev. R. H. Peel to forward to Treasurer of General Convention		$ 28 85
Sept. 3, 1898.	To collections at Conference:		
	Antioch	12 53	
	Bethlehem	3 60	
	Linville	2 60	
	Concord	1 00	
	New Hope	18 25	
	Woodland	--------	
	Mt. Grove	--------	
	Wood's Chapel	--------	
	Total Foreign Missions	$ 37 98	

CONTINGENT FUND.

Sept. 3, 1897.	To collections	$ 13 95	
Sept. 4, 1897.	By amount paid J. S. Kagey		$ 5 00
"	By amount paid E. L. Moffitt		8 95
			$ 13 95
Sept. 3, 1898.	Collections at Conference:		
	Antioch	6 75	
	Bethlehem	4 37	
	Linville	1 60	
	Concord	1 25	
	New Hope	2 10	
	Mt. Grove	--------	
	Woodland	--------	
	Wood's Chapel	--------	
	Total Contingent Fund	$ 16 05	

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

Sept. 3, 1897.	To collections at Conference	$ 20 60	
"	By interest paid J. S. Martz		$ 4 50
Sept. 3, 1898.	Collections at Conference:		
	Antioch	8 50	
	Bethlehem	3 00	
	Linville	1 75	
	Concord	35	
	New Hope	4 00	
	Mt. Grove	--------	
	Woodland	--------	
	Wood's Chapel	--------	
		$ 37 75	
Sept. 3, 1898.	By amount to balance		$ 33 25
"	To total on hand	$ 32 25	

PUB. HOUSE FUND.

Sept. 3, 1897.	To collections on hand	$ 8 35	
Sept. 3, 1898.	To collections at Conference		
	Antioch	5 00	
	Bethlehem	--------	
	Linville	1 75	
	Concord	--------	
	New Hope	--------	
	Woodland	--------	
	Mt. Grove	--------	
	Wood's Chapel	--------	
	Total Pub. House Fund	$ 15 10	

The report of the special committee appointed to arrange an order of business was read and adopted as follows:

PROGRAM FOR OUR NEXT ANNUAL SESSION OF CONFERENCE.

FIRST DAY—FORENOON SESSION.

1. Organization.
2. Call for church letters.
3. Reports from fraternal messengers.
4. Sunday School Report.
5. Miscellaneous business.
6. Annual address.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1. Election of fraternal messengers.
2. Report on Moral Reform.
3. Appointment of committees.
4. Miscellaneous business.

SECOND DAY—FORENOON SESSION.

1. Ministerial Reports.
2. Report on Foreign Missions.
3. Report of Executive Committee.
4. Miscellaneous business.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1. Report on Education.
2. Selection of a place for next annual sitting.
3. Miscellaneous business.

THIRD DAY—FORENOON SESSION.

1. Report on Religious Literature.
2. Report of Treasurer.
3. Miscellaneous business.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1. Report on Home Missions.
2. Miscellaneous business.

C. A. HINTON,
D. C. STRICKLER,
T. H. SHOWALTER,
Committee.

The Executive Committee's report was read and adopted as follows:

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT.

Your committee had one meeting during the Conference year. The business done was to apportion the pastor's salary among the four churches—Antioch, Bethlehem, Concord and Linville—making a total of $450, and fixing of the necessary per cent. on State and county tax paid, which was made known to the several churches.

The chairman issued two orders to Dr. W. T. Herndon on the Treasurer for $25 each for services as pastor for the churches at Woodland and Wood's Chapel, said amounts being appropriated by the Annual Conference in session.

The committee acted on the call of Rev. C. H. Swank to serve Mt. Grove as pastor, and ordered stated amount paid as appropriated by Conference.

J. S. MARTZ, Chairman.
W. H. SIPE,
SAMUEL EARMAN.

A short time was given to Prof. E. L. Moffitt to speak in behalf of the Christian Missionary Association.

The report of Committee on Moral Reform was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON MORAL REFORM.

Knowing the width and depth of this vast subject, we feel we can not do too much in bringing it before this body, causing us thereby to rehearse the underlying principle that means so much to the world, but more especially to the church.

We are made to rejoice in noting statistics showing a decrease of three-fifths in the use of ardent spirits in the last eighteen years. While this is only one of the many evils that confront the church of Christ, we feel no less gratified in the result of the effort that has been put forth by the church to reform the world.

We do not hesitate in bringing before this body the many evils of the world and the many snares that are set by the evil one to catch those who would do good—namely, the use of strong drink and other ingredients that destroy nerve and weaken the mind. Again, the card-table, the dancing hall, gambling, betting, swearing, gossipping, and such like, from which, as a church, we must abstain. As a church, let us rally to the front, and with our garments spotless and the banner of Christ in our hands and Jesus as our Captain, immorality and sin will take their flight and Christ will reign in the hearts of his people evermore.

(Signed) C. H. SWANK,
SAM'L EARMAN,
J. C. HUFFMAN.

Beulah, a Christian church of sixteen members, recently organized by Rev. W. T. Herndon, near Keezletown applied for admittance and was received into conference.

On motion the Treasurer was ordered to pay the secretary five dollars for his services, and $11.05 (balance of contingent fund in treasury) to Prof. E. L. Moffitt for printing our minutes in the Christian Annual.

On motion the secretary was instructed to draw an order on the Treasurer in favor of Rev. R. H. Peel for $37.98, the amount of money in the Treasury for Foreign Missions, and Bro. Peel was instructed to forward the same to the Treasurer of the General Convention.

On motion, a vote of thanks was tendered the members and friends of Concord church for hospitalities shown toward members and visitors during the sitting of conference.

Revs. R. H. Peel and C. H. Swank were elected delegates to the Christian Missionary Association in the next annual meeting.

On motion the Treasurer was ordered to pay for two memberships in said association.

On motion conference adjourned to meet with the church at New Hope on Thursday before the first Sunday in September, 1899, at 10 o'clock a. m.

R. H. PEEL, Pres.

J. S. KAGEY, Sec'y.
J. S. MARTZ, Asst. Sec'y.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Pastors.	Secretaries and Post Offices.	No. Reported Last Session.	Rec'd Since.	Dismissed.	Withdrawn.	Died.	Expelled.	Present Membership.	Paid Pastors.	Home Missions	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Conference Fund.	Other Purpose.	Total	Value of Church Property
Antioch	R. H. Peel	J. S. Kagey, Sky Va,	100	7	4		1	3	99	$134 50	$ 13 33	$ 12 53	$ 8 50	$ 6 75	$ 70 55	$ 246 16	$ 2,000 00
Bethlehem	R. H. Peel	A. B. Martz, Mauzy, Va.	69		2		3		64	73 79	8 00	3 60	3 50	4 35	15 00	108 24	1,000 00
Beulah	W. T. Herndon								16								
Concord	R. H. Peel	Murphy, Va	32	4					36	27 25	1 70	1 00	35	1 25		31 55	500 00
Linville	R. H. Peel	C. E. Berry, Linville, Va	59	8				2	65	84 32	8 75	2 60	1 75	1 60		99 02	1,000 00
Mountain Grove.	C. H. Swank	W. H. Cline, Montevideo, Va	18						18	12 00						12 00	
New Hope	E. T. Iseley	Walter Liskey, Harrisonburg, Va.	48	7			1		54	75 00	18 27	18 27	4 00	2 10		117 64	1,000 00
Woodland	W. T. Herndon		22														
Wood's Chapel	W. T. Herndon	Wm. Bridget, Quicksburg, Va	21	3					24		2 00					2 00	
Total			369	29	6		5	5	376	406 86	$ 52 05	$ 38 00	$18 10	$16 05	$ 85 55	$ 616 61	$ 5,500 00

Sunday School Superintendents and Post Offices.	No. in Sunday School.	Raised by Sunday School.
Antioc—T. H. Showalter, Chrisman, Va.; J. W. Tate, Amberly, Vu	60	$ 8 50
Bethlehem—J. C Bradford, Tenth Legion, Va	97	46 40
Concord—Samuel Holsinger, Hupp, Va	44	7 12
Linville—D. P. Rosenberger, Linville Depot, Va	67	9 00
Mountain Grove—M. S. Bryant, Keezletown. Va	36	
New Hope—Samuel Earman, Keezeltown, Va	76	9 21
Wood's Chapel—Mrs. Wm. Estep, New Market, Va	45	1 50
Total	425	$ 81 73

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

FIFTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Georgia AND Alabama Christian Conference,

HELD AT

PHOENIX CITY, ALA.

Phoenix City, Alabama,
October 20, 1898.

Conference called to order at 1:30 p. m. by Rev. J. D. Elder, vice-president of last session.

Ministers present: J. D. Elder, T. H. Elder, W. R. Knight, C. M. Dollar, J. W. Elder, H. W. Elder, G. D. Hunt.

Licentiates: J. E. Williams and J. D. Garrison.

Churches and Delegates—New Hope, E. Baird and J. W. Manning.

Beulah.—W. M. Hand and E. M. Carter.

Antioch.—O. R. Strickland and W. G. Roberts.

Pleasant Grove.—I. D. Harris.

New Harmony.—Represented by letter.

Providence Chapel.—R. G. Gilliam, O. S. Wood and A. L. Hollomon.

Beulah (Jirard).—J. M. Collins, G. L. Newsom and J. L. Elder.

Union Grove.—H. O. Wallace, O. E. Brook.

Mt. Zion.—S. N. Sledge and J. T. Williams.

Forest Home.—W. L. Smith.

Rock Springs.—C. C. Hornsby.

Mt. Chapel.—Z. E. Veasy.

Christiana.—A. L. Jennings.

Liberty.—R. Newsom.

Bethlehem.—B. F. Young.

Union Chapel.—W. L. Ward and J. E. B. Williams.

Union Hill.—I. J. Parker.
Christian Home.—P. F. Butchfield.
Bethany.—F. M. Pitts.
Corinth.—Not represented.
Mt. Carmel.—Represented by letter.
Macedonia.—J. W. Elder, Sr.
New Home.—Not represented.
Union.—Not represented.
Oak Grove.—J. C. Bass and David Highsmith.
Brown Springs.—John Allison.

A quorum being present, conference proceeded to the election of the following officers:

Rev. C. M. Dollar, President.
J. W. Elder, Vice-President.
E. M. Carter, Secretary.
Dr. J. W. Manning, Assistant Secretary.

On motion, the President appointed, Bros. J. F. Hill, Jr., J. L. Elder and C. C. Hornsby as a committee on Religious services.

On motion, Bros. J. M. Collins, Dr. J. W. Manning and J. W. Elder, were appointed as a committee on order of business.

On motion, the President filled vacancies on Standing Committees.

On motion, Rev. M. L. Hurley, of the Eastern Virginia Conference, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member. He responded with an appropriate talk.

On motion, Bro. Jesse Holiday, of the Baptist church, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member. He responded with some remarks.

Committee on order of Business submitted the following report:

We your Committee on Order of Business beg to submit the following report:

1st. Meet at 8:00 a. m.
Adjourn at 11:30 for dinner.
Meet at 1.00 p. m.
Preaching at 3:00 p. m.
Preaching at 7:30 p. m.
2d. Call for and reading Church and Ministerial reports.
3d. Receiving and considering reports of Committees.
4th. Miscellaneous Business.

Dr. J. W. MANNING, Chairman.

Called for applications for membership in the Conference.

Brown Springs Church, of Marion county, Georgia, and Oak Grove Church, of Troup county, Georgia, were received as members of the Georgia and Alabama Conference.

On motion, the President appointed Bros. S. N. Sledge, C. C. Hornsby and H. O. Wallace as a committee on Religious Literature. To report Saturday morning at 10:00 a. m.

Conference adjourned.

Introductory sermon preached by Rev. C. M. Dollar, at 7:30 p. m.

SECOND DAY.

Conference opened with singing, and prayer by Rev. C. M. Dollar.

Minutes of the preceding day were read and approved.

On motion, Bro. S. N. Sledge was elected Treasurer.

The church letters handed in and read.

On motion, blank ministerial and church reports were adopted. Ministerial reports called for and read.

On motion, Revs. J. D. Elder and G. D. Hunt were appointed on the Educational committee with H. W. Elder.

On motion the minutes are to be published in the Annual.

The Committee on Home Missions made the following report:

We, your Committee on Home Missions, beg leave to submit our report.

The home fields are white unto the harvest. Grander opportunities were never before us than now for widening our borders. All we have to do now is to send men into the vineyard, full of divine power, and let them cast in the sicle of gospel truth, and the golden grain is ready for the harvest. Brethren, we need to push the cause of Home Missions to the fullest extent. No work has been crowned with greater blessings than the cause of Home Missions in our Conference. We recommend that the Conference raise $250 for Home Missions in another year. There has been raised this year $130.46, which we recommend be equally divided between two ministers, who shall be required to give one-fourth or one-half of their time to the Home Mission work.

The home missionaries will make their report to this body. Revs.

J. D. Elder, W. R. Knight and H. W. Elder have each given one-fourth of their time to this work.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. ELDER, Chairman,
C. M. DOLLAR,
F. M. PITTS,

Committee.

After discussion by H. W. Elder and M. L. Hurley, the question was laid over until the afternoon. Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met at 1:00 p. m. Conference opened with singing, President in the chair.

Subject of Home Missions taken up, discussed by Revs. B. F. Young, W. R. Knight, J. W. Manning, J. D. Elder, J. D. Garrison, J. W. Elder, Sr., C. M. Dollar, H. .O Wallace, J. E. Williams, W. L. Smith, W. A. Fletcher.

On motion, Revs. J. D. Elder and H. W. Elder were chosen as Missionaries for one-fourth of their time each, and the money now on hand is to be divided between them. Report adopted. Adjourned for preaching.

Preaching at 3:30 by Rev. T. H. Elder.

On motion, Conference is to be held at Pleasant Grove Church on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1899.

H. W. Elder was appointed to preach the introductory sermon. Adjourned until 6:00 p. m.

Met at 6:00 p. m. Conference opened with singing, President in the chair.

The Committee on Standing of Churches made the following report:

We, the Committee on the Standing of Churches, beg leave to make the following report: So far as we have been able to ascertain, we find the churches all in good standing, spiritually, but not financially.

J. W. ELDER, Chairman of Committee.

Discussed by Dr. J. W. Manning, H. W. Elder, S. N. Sledge, B. F. Young, J. D. Garrison, J. E. Williams, G. L. Newsom, J. D. Elder, T. H. Elder, C. M. Dollar, J. W. Elder, Jr., W. M. Hand, G. D. Hunt.

Report adopted.

Adjourned for preaching by J. W. Elder at 7:30.

THIRD DAY.

Conference opened with singing and prayer by Rev. W. R. Knight.

Minutes of the preceding day were read and approved.

Report on Standing of the Ministry read as follows:

We, your Committee on Standing of the Ministry, find all the ministers in Georgia and Alabama in good standing and in the discharge of duty.

We also hear, through good authority, that Bro. Orr, of Texas, is still laboring in the Christian ministry.

We recommend that the names of Bros. D. Chewning and G. H. Huss be dropped from our list, and that the name of C. G. Maloane be retained until we have a further hearing from him. These brethren have moved to Texas.

W. R. KNIGHT, Chairman.

The report was adopted.

The Executive Committee submitted the following report, which was adopted:

We, the Executive Committee, beg leave to report as follows:

No business of importance has come before us during the past Conference year, except Bro. J. W. McConnell's petition for license to preach the gospel, which has been referred to the Committee on Education.

Respectfully submitted,

C. M. DOLLAR, Chairman.

After discussion by, G. D. Hunt, J. W. Elder, Jr., S. N. Sledge, G. L. Newsom, J. W. Elder, Sr., J. L. Elder, C. M. Dollar, B. F. Young.

Report was adopted.

On motion each speaker was limited to five minutes.

The Committee on Sunday Schools submitted the following report:

We believe that the Sunday-school work is one of the means in the hands of the Master to bring souls into His church, and that no church can possibly enjoy that spiritual life and growth that is necessary to Christian development without manifesting a proper interest in the Sunday-school work; that the Sunday-school Convention is worthy of our attendance and support; that we use our own literature published at Dayton, Ohio.

J. W. ELDER, Jr., Chairman.

After discussion by G. D. Hunt, Dr. J. W. Manning, B. F. Young, H. W. Elder, Jesse Holiday and S. N. Sledge, report adopted.

Adjourned for 10 minutes.

Conference called to order by the President.

Committee on Religious Literature made their report as follows:

We, your Committee on Religious Literature, beg leave to submit our report.

We find a good many of the homes of the members of our order without the church paper. We heartily recommend The Christian Sun to all our people as the organ of the Southern Christian Convention. This is our paper, and we should, by all means, give it our hearty support. We recommend, further, the use of our own Sunday-school supplies; also the books and tracts publissed by our publishing house .

S. N. SLEDGE, Chairman.

After discussion by Rev. M. L. Hurley, T. H. Elder, Dr. J. W. Manning, J. W. Elder, Sr., C. M. Dollar, it was adopted.

The Committee on Education made their report:

We, your Committee on Education, beg leave to make our report.

"Knowledge is power" is our old-time adage, true as the gospel. The cause of education among the rich and refined is receiving more attention now than ever before. The sad feature to your committee is that the most of our people are poor, and we are sadly neglecting this important work. We would impress upon our people the importance of self-denial and personal sacrifices in order to educate your children.

Our work demands a better educated ministry. Our standard should be raised high. If the ministry is not educated, how can we get our people to inform themselves?

After examination, we recommend that Bros. B. F. Young and E. M. Carter be licensed to preach the gospel of Christ, with the promise that they improve their literary qualifications. Also J. M. McConnell is recommended for license.

We recommend that Bros. J. E. Williams and J. D. Garrison be ordained to the gospel ministry.

We are anxious for some of our people to attend Elon College.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. ELDER,
G. D. HUNT,
H. W. ELDER.

After discussion by Rev. G. D. Hunt, H. W. Elder, M. L. Hurley, C. M. Dollar, it was adopted.

The President appointed as Presbytery to ordain the applicants, Revs. M. L. Hurley, G. D. Hunt and J. D. Elder.

On motion, Bro. H. O. Wallace was granted leave of absence to return home.

Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met at 1:00 p. m. Conference was called to order by the President.

On motion, the report on Foreign Missions was read and amended to read as follows:

We recommend that the Conference next year raise $50 for Foreign Missions.

After discussion by Revs. G. D. Hunt, C. M. Dollar, T. H. Elder, B. F. Young, it was adopted.

The President announced the Standing Committees as follows:

Executive—Revs. G. D. Hunt, J. W. Elder, J. D. Garrison.
Sunday-Schools—E. M. Carter, B. F. Young, S. N. Sledge,
Moral Reform—R. S. Gilliam, Dr. J. W. Manning and J. W. Elder.
Standing of Churches—T. H. Elder, E. M. Gay and F. M. Pitts.
Standing of Ministry—H. W. Elder, W. R. Knight and J. E. Williams.
Home Missions—J. D. Elder, G. D. Hunt and I. D. Harris.
Foreign Missions—G. D. Hunt, B. F. Young and J. D. Garrison.
Education—C. M. Dollar, Dr. J. W. Manning and S. N. Sledge.
Religious Literature—W. F. Price, H. W. Elder and C. M. Dollar.

The following resolution of thanks was offered and adopted.

Resolved, That the Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference tender its heartfelt thanks to the members of this church and the good people of Phoenix City and Jirard for the royal manner in which we have been entertained during our stay in their midst.

G. D. HUNT.

Adjourned for preaching by Rev. M. L. Hurley, at 3:00 p. m.

Met at 6:00 p. m. Conference called to order by the President.

Bros. J. E. Williams and J. D. Garrison were ordained by Revs. M. L. Hurley, J. D. Elder and G. D. Hunt.

There being no further business Conference adjourned to meet with Pleasant Grove Church, on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1899.

Preaching at 7:30 by Rev. G. D. Hunt.

Preaching Sunday at 10:00 a. m., by Rev. M. L. Hurley.

REV. C. M. DOLLAR, President.

E. M. CARTER, Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received from the Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference:

Home Missions	$130.46
Foreign Missions	21.77
Collection of the Conference for Foreign Missions	6.00
For Minutes	17.65
Total	$175.88

Paid out as follows:

To Rev. J. D. Elder, for Home Missions	$ 65.23
Rev. H. W. Elder, for Home Missions	65.23
Rev. M. L. Hurley, for Minutes	20.00
John Mills, for Foreign Missions	27.77

S. N. SLEDGE, Treasurer.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

PASTORS.	Number Sermons.	Number Lectures.	Prayer Meetings.	No. received into Church.	Funeral Sermons.	Marriages.	Pastoral Visits.	Salary Received.	No. Miles Traveled.
H. W. Elder	798	----	153	76	9	3	200	$ 385 15	2,000
W. R. Knight	98	12	22	----	----	--	----	57 00	992
T. H. Elder	137	6	----	23	4	3	----	53 70	2 168
C. M. Dollar	92	20	----	24	1	1	32	40 75	1,300
J. D. Elder	104	5	----	14	7	3	----	------	1,686
G. D. Hunt	106	----	----	29	----	2	----	------	1,375
M. F. Lett	67	3	10	----	----	--	10	------	1,087
J. E. Williams	35	3	75	8	2	1	----	------	395
J. D. Garrison	40	10	20	3	8	3	----	4 00	110
J. W. Elder	46	26	----	6	5	4	47	-----	----
T. J. Edmonson	55	----	----	8	2	1	----	------	300
C. W. Swann	----	----	----	3	----	2	----	------	----
Robt. Lesley	----	----	----	----	----	--	----	------	----

STATISTICAL TABLE SHOWING REPORTS FOR 1898 AND ASSESSMENTS FOR 1899.

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	No Last Report.	Received.	No. Dismis'd	No. Expell'd	No. Died.	Present Number.	Paid Pastor.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Minutes.	Other Purposes.	No. in Sunday School.	Value Chu'h Property.	Home Missions for 1899.	Foreign Missions for 1899.
Antioch	T. H. Elder	86	6	5	--	--	87	$ 11 25	$ 3 65	$ ----	$ 30	$ 3 00	20	$600	$13 05	$ 2 61
Baulah	G. D. Hunt	87	24	--	1	1	109	55 87	11 31	2 87	2 50	25 70	110	600	16 35	3 27
Beulah (Jirard)	H. W. Elder	153	16	30	4	4	131	123 00	6 35	------	95	125 00	----	600	19 65	3 93
Bethany	C. M. Dollar	32	10	1	7	--	39	14 80	3 98	1 02	30	10 00	33	300	5 89	1 17
Bethlehem	Joe Williams	46	6	1	5	1	45	47 80	1 25	------	50	3 10	144	119	6 75	1 35
Brown Springs	H. W. Elder	----	--	--	--	--	38	--------	------	------	------	--------	----	----	5 70	1 14
Cornth	----------	39	--	--	--	--	----	--------	------	------	------	--------	----	----	6 85	1 17
Christiana	J. D. Elder	----	--	1	1	2	73	30 00	2 65	------	------	--------	----	300	10 95	2 79
Christian Home	T. H. Elder	65	--	4	1	1	59	2 61	2 80	------	40	--------	----	250	8 85	1 77
Forest Home	T. H. Elder	49	3	1	--	--	51	17 50	4 10	85	30	5 00	----	600	7 65	1 53
McGuire's Chapel	G. D. Hunt	111	2	--	1	--	112	40 00	5 55	2 75	50	--------	30	----	16 80	3 36
Mount Zion	J. D. Elder	103	2	33	2	1	69	--------	5 00	------	90	5 00	40	400	10 55	2 07
Mount Carmel	M. F. Lett	6	3	--	--	--	9	--------	------	------	------	--------	----	----	1 35	27
Macedonia	C. W. Swann	33	5	--	--	--	37	--------	4 25	1 06	90	--------	35	300	5 55	1 11
New Hope	J. D. Elder	171	10	5	--	2	174	39 65	30 25	5 00	3 00	35 00	30	800	26 10	5 22
New Harmony	J. W. Elder	----	15	--	--	1	104	13 00	------	------	1 15	--------	----	----	15 60	3 12
New Home	J. T. Edmonson	54	8	1	--	1	60	26 50	1 40	25	70	--------	----	----	9 00	1 80
Oak Grove	H. W. Elder	----	--	--	--	--	16	19 65	------	------	90	--------	----	----	2 40	48
Providence Chapel	H. W. Elder	86	7	2	1	2	87	130 00	9 75	1 90	1 50	--------	----	600	13 05	2 61
Pleasant Grove	G. D. Hunt	----	3	3	--	--	64	23 05	1 50	------	1 10	--------	----	250	9 60	1 92
Rock Springs	T. H. Elder	70	3	2	--	1	70	8 50	4 50	------	20	--------	----	300	10 50	2 10
Union Grove	C. M. Dollar	19	12	1	1	--	29	15 00	5 25	1 00	50	7 50	----	300	4 55	87
Union Chapel	G. D. Hunt	94	3	4	3	3	87	93 25	12 23	2 01	1 00	22 35	50	----	13 05	2 61
Union	----------	24	--	--	--	--	----	--------	------	------	------	--------	----	----	3 60	.72
Union Hill	J. T. Williams	----	--	--	--	--	20	1 01	------	------	------	--------	26	10	3 00	60
Liberty	W. A. Fletcher	----	--	--	--	--	50	--------	2 25	------	30	--------	----	----	7 50	1 50

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

SEVENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

EASTERN VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE,

HELD AT

LIBERTY SPRING, VIRGINIA.

Liberty Spring, Nansemond County, Va.,
November 2, 1898.

The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference met here to-day in its seventy-eighth annual session. Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., President of last session, called the body to order.

Religious services were conducted by Dr. J. P. Barrett.

Elders present—J. P. Barrett, H. H. Butler, M. W. Butler, J. W. Harrell, R. H. Holland, J. T. Kitchen, W. S. Long, N. G. Newman, W. W. Staley.

Delegates enrolled as follows:

Antioch—J. W. Bradshaw, C. M. Clements.

Berea (Norfolk)—W. T. Hanbury.

Berea (Nansemond)—Geo. T. Rawls, A. Savage.

Berkley—J. A. McCloud, Jr.

Bethany—R. T. Vaughan.

Bethlehem—J. W. Folk.

Burton's Grove——R. A. Gay, A. J. Drake.

Cypress Chapel—Josiah Wilkins, Walter Briggs, E. D. Brinkley.

Holland—Allen Daughtrey, I. A. Luke.

Johnson's Grove—E. J. Joyner, W. H. Joyner.

Liberty Spring—A. D. Milteer, J. T. Rawls, B. R. Dowdy.

Mount Carmel—Jethro H. Butler.

Norfolk—S. A. Etheridge, A. M. Eley.
Providence—Mrs. Bettie Gibson.
Spring Hill—J. H. Harris.
Suffolk—W. H. Barnes, E. E. Holland, T. W. Artman, J. T. Parker.
Union (Southampton)—W. L. Joyner, Matthew Daughtrey.
Waverly—J. T. Harris, Miss E. M. Cox.
Windsor—F. C. Roberts, M. L. Watkins.

A quorum being present, Conference went into the election of officers.

Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., was re-elected President, and Rev. I. W. Johnson was elected Assistant Secretary.

On motion, the order of business, adopted in 1896, was made the order of this session.

The time having arrived for the annual address, Rev. N. G. Newman proceeded to deliver same, taking as his subject "What is a Preacher?" The address was an able and comprehensive one.

On motion, Rev. N. G. Newman was requested to give a copy of his address to the Christian Sun for publication.

The following brethren, as fraternal messengers, were received and invited to seats as deliberative members of this body, and responded in fitting remarks: From the Western N. C. Conference, Prof. E. L. Moffitt; from the Virginia Valley Conference, Rev. R. H. Peel.

Rev. M. P. Porter, of the M. E. Church, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

Church letters were called for. Reading of same was dispensed with.

On motion, Conference adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference re-assembled, President in the chair.

Additional church letters were called for, with no response.

Minsterial reorts were passed by until a fuller response.

The report of Treasurer was received, read and referred to the Committee on Finance, yet to be appointed.

W. Q. Peel, delegate from Holy Neck, was enrolled.

Reports of fraternal messengers to the various Confer-

ences were called for and responded to by Drs. Long and Staley.

Fraternal messengers were elected, as follows:

To Eastern N. C. Conference—Revs. W. S. Long and J. T. Kitchen.

To Western N. C. Conference—Revs. W. S. Long and H. H. Butler.

To N. C. and Virginia Conference—Revs. J. P. Barrett and W. W. Staley.

To Georgia and Alabama Conference—Rev. M. L. Hurley.

To Virginia Valley Conference—Rev. I. W. Johnson.

The Executive Committee offered the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Only two items of business have claimed our attention.

On January 31st we authorized the Board of Trustees of this Conference to borrow a maximum sum of eight hundred dollars ($800) to aid the Franklin Church in erecting a parsonage, and to execute a deed of trust to secure the same.

On February 4th we considered an application from Bro. R. Charnock, of Fall River, Mass., for a letter of transfer to the Boston Presbytery; but the committee having a knowledge of certain financial obligations in which he had acted in bad faith, he was informed that such a letter could not be granted until these were satisfactorily settled. This he has failed to do, and the matter is now in the hands of the Conference.

W. W. STALEY,
N. G. NEWMAN,
Executive Committee.

On motion, in regard to the matter pertaining to Rev. Roger Charnock in the above report the Executive Committee was requested to take immediate action.

On motion, M. L. Watkins, I. A. Luke and J. W. Folk were appointed a committee on selection of place for holding the next annual session.

Rev. M. W. Butler was, on motion, elected to deliver the annual address at the next session. Rev. I. W. Johnson was chosen as his alternate.

On motion, A. M. Eley and I. A. Luke were apointed collectors to receive the Conference funds.

Rev. M. W. Butler, Rev. J. W. Harrell and M. L. Watkins were constituted a committee to tabulate church letters and ministerial reports.

On motion, the chair appointed E. E. Holland, Col. A. Savage and A. T. Holland a Committee on Finance.

The pastor and deacons of this church were appointed a Committee on Religious Services.

On motion, the chair appointed the following a Committee on Memoirs, viz.: Rev. J. P. Barrett, N. G. Newman and W. W. Staley.

Ministerial reports were again called for and responded to, as follows: Elders J. P. Barrett, M. W. Butler, J. W. Harrell, R. H. Holland, J. T. Kitchen, W. S. Long, N. G. Newman, W. W. Staley; Licentiate, I. W. Johnson.

The chair appointed Rev. M. W. Butler to fill vacancy in Committee on Home Missions.

The Committee on Religious Services made the following announcement: Rev. M. W. Butler to preach to-night at Whaleyville; Dr. J. P. Barrett to preach in this church at 12 o'clock to-morrow; Dr. W. S. Long to preach to-morrow night at Whaleyville.

On motion, Rev. J. T. Kitchen was appointed to fill vacancy in Committee on Foreign Missions.

Conference, on motion, adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. J. T. Kitchen.

SECOND DAY.

Conference convened with the President in the chair.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. J. W. Harrell.

The roll of ministers and delegates was called.

Delegates W. H. Gay, from Suffolk, and J. E. Vincent, from Holy Neck, were enrolled.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

REPORT ON MORAL REFORM.

This subject is so vast that we can touch only on the principal lines along which moral reform is needed. We see in nearly every phase of life there is a great lack of proper morals. Under the advancing light of the gospel there are new evils that become more prominent every year and threaten the moral and spiritual life of the church of God. It becomes the church of God to do all in her power to counteract the evil in the world and to lead her people to the highest Christian life possible, and thus place before the world true samples of morality and purity which will bring about the desired results.

We suggest that this body adopt the following as their attitude towards the evils so prevalent in our country:

1. That we urge our members to abstain from the use, as a beverage, of all intoxicating drinks; that none buy or sell, manufacture or rent property for the business, or give their influence in any way to the saloon or the licensing of it.

2. That we urge our members to abstain from the use of tobacco.

3. That we acknowledge the deplorable condition of the Christian Sabbath, and that we strive for its recovery from the desecrating influences in the world of industry, the literary world and the fields of amusement; the working of men, excursions on trains, steamboats and wheels, opening of mails and reading of secular papers, and whatever leads our people from the house of God.

4. That we express our disapprobation of all corrupting forces, such as immoral associations, card playing, wheels of fortune, racing and futures in the great exchanges.

5. That we deplore the great social evils growing out of dancing, divorce, wine and card parties, and whatever corrupts individual character and makes the home unchristian in practice and result.

6. That we enter our protest against commercial dishonesty, expressed in over-buying, under-paying, avoiding debt by legal quibbling, and all forms of business that do not contain the elements of honesty.

7. That we express our unqualified condemnation of the abuse of the art of picture-making, as seen in our current literature and upon calendars, posts, etc., and especially that feature which so dishonors womanhood.

J. W. HARRELL,
J. T. HARRIS,
Committee.

Discussed by Rev. J. W. Harrell, Dr. W. W. Staley, J. A. McCloud, Jr., Rev. N. G. Newman, Rev. M. W. Butler, W. H. Gay, Rev. J. T. Kitchen, J. T. Harris, and adopted.

Revs. H. H. Butler and I. W. Johnson were granted leaves of absence to-day to conduct the funeral of Bro. W. T. Parker, a deacon of Holland Christian Church.

They were authorized to carry to Sister Parker the sincere condolence of this Conference.

The Committee on Religious Services announced that Dr. W. S. Long would preach to-morrow in this church at 12 o'clock.

Delegates were enrolled as follows:

Norfolk—T. E. Brickhouse.

Bethlehem—H. T. Taylor.

Isle of Wight Court House—L. H. Whitley, Mrs. Mary L. Whitley.

Mount Carmel—J. H. English.

Franklin—T. W. Norfleet, J. T. Harcum.

Oakland—J. R. Delk.

Sarem—S. J. Felton, W. D. Langston.

Rev. J. W. Barrett arrived and was enrolled.

On motion, Conference adjourned until 2 o'clock for preaching and dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President in the chair.

The following delegates arrived and were enrolled:

Eure's—John S. Felton.

Berkley—S. A. Eley.

Damascus—George J. Costen, J. R. Corbett.

Union (Surry)—P. E. Slade.

Ivor—J. W. Brittle.

The ministerial report of Rev. M. L. Hurley was received and read; also a letter was received from him stating that he attended the Georgia and Alabama Conference as a fraternal messenger from this Conference.

Additional church letters were received.

A petition from Emporia Christian Church, asking admission into this Conference, was received.

On motion, the petition was granted and Delegates L. M. Wright and I. W. Drake enrolled.

A collection was taken up for benefit of said church, amounting to $20.13.

The Committee on Education submitted their report.

On motion, the report was taken up by items, and, after being discussed by Revs. W. W. Staley, W. S. Long and N. G. Newman, was adopted as a whole.

EDUCATIONAL REPORT.

I. W. Johnson and L. L. Lassiter, licentiates, graduated from Elon College last June. The latter is teaching a primary school at Elon College; the former has been preaching in Bro. Laine's field for four months, and has engaged wok for the coming year.

George J. Green, D. P. Barrett, C. C. Jones, J. M. Roberts and Wallace C. McLeod still pursue their studies in college.

John T. Steele is ticket agent for the N. & S. Railway at its junction with the N. & W., and reports for The Virginian-Pilot.

W. H. Butler has asked to withdraw from the Biblical class, and we recommend that his request be granted.

Hersey E. Rountree, member of Cypress Chapel Church, applies for membership in the Biblical class, and we recommend that his name be entered upon the roll.

J. H. Jones, licentiate, has not reported in two years, and your committee is informed that he has united with another denomination, and is now pastor of a Unitarian church in Providence, Rhode Island; we therefore recommend that his credentials be revoked and that his name be erased from our roll.

We recommend the following appropriations:

Geo. J. Green	$ 100 00	
D. P. Barrett	100 00	
C. C. Jones	75 00	
		$ 275 00

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.

Bills Receivable:		
N. G. Newman	$ 190 00	
R. H. Peel	99 50	
W. J. Laine	475 00	
		$ 764 50
Profit and Loss:		
W. J. Laine		475 00
		$ 289 50
Accounts:		
L. L. Lassiter	$ 500 00	
I. W. Johnson	275 00	
D. P. Harrell	50 00	
C. C. Jones	125 00	
D. P. Barrett	125 00	
Geo. J. Green	150 00	
J. M. Roberts	100 00	
	$1325 00	
Profit and Loss:		
D. P. Harrell	50 00	
		1275 00
		$1564 50
Cash:		
In Bank	$ 262 32	
Interest	137 50	
		399 82
Total Assets		$1964 32

DECREASE FROM LAST YEAR.

Profit and Loss:	
D. P. Harrell, account	$ 50 00
W. J. Laine, B. R	475 00
Total	$ 525 00

The Southern Christian Convention has asked this Conference to pay annually $600, for ten years, to aid in the payment of principal and interest on Elon College's indebtedness, and we recommend such apportionment of this sum among the churches as will comply with the request. This, in our judgment, is a most equitable method of meeting this obligation, and the importance and value of the insti-

tution to the church should pledge our support to this cause most heartily. Rev. Dr. M. Summerbell, in his report to the A. C. Convention, said: "It is within bounds to say that the cause of the Christians has advanced in North Carolina and Virginia fully a hundred per cent. since the establishment of Elon College." We therefore reiterate our confidence in this institution and pledge ourselves to its furtherance and support.

With sadness we beg leave to note the death of Rev. W. J. Laine since our last session, and the loss which the educational department has sustained thereby, and we recommend that the Treasurer of the Conference be authorized to destroy his note with unpaid balance of $475.

The Rev. Moses P. Porter, an elder of the M. E. Church and now a member of the Memorial Christian Temple, has applied for membership in this Conference. He brings satisfactory credentials, and we recommend that he be recognized as an elder in the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

W. W. STALEY,
M. W. BUTLER,
N. G. NEWMAN,
November 1, 1898. Committee.

The item in the report relative to the apportionment of $600, as recommended by the Southern Christian Convention, was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Assessments.

Conference was led in prayer by Rev. R. H. Peel.

The Committee on Entertainment made their announcement, after which Conference adjourned to meet to-morrow at 10 o'clock a. m.

THIRD DAY.

The President called Conference to order..

Rev. N. G. Newman conducted religious services.

Roll called of ministers and delegates.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read, corrected and approved.

The following delegates were enrolled:

Damascus—W. S. Speight.

Union (Surry)—J. W. Cotten.

Holland—P. C. Holland.

The Committee on Religious Literature offered their report. After discussion by Rev. J. T. Kitchen, Dr. J. P.

Barrett, Col. A. Savage, J. A. McCloud, Jr., Rev. N. G. Newman, E .L. Moffitt, Dr. W. W. Staley and Dr. W. S. Long, the report was adopted.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

The Committee on Religious Literature present the following report:

Standing amid the closing years of the nineteenth century and looking over the past, we have some things to regret, but much to admire and respect. About seventy-eight years ago this Conference was organized by loving fathers and a noble Christian ancestry. They lived, toiled and died under the influences that surrounded them, and those influences were not always favorable to the greatest good and best success for the grand cause in which they enlisted. They failed to fully grasp the idea that to be an active, commanding and progressive organization they must write, publish and read, as well as sing, preach and pray. This fact has been seen and recognized by every reading, thoughtful member of this body.

The sayings of the brightest literary stars in the world of thought, eloquence and oratory have been preserved by writing.

To know, we must learn; to learn, we must think; and to think well, we must read. Too many of us are already shut up in our little cells of ignorance. Open the doors wide and let in light—let in thought, let in God. Then, by taking a broader view, we will be more intelligent, more happy and more like Jesus, whom we profess to serve and follow.

1. We recommend to you and the churches composing this Conference The Christian Sun, edited and published by Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Elon College, N. C. The editor has done his work well, and we believe given general satisfaction. It is ably edited, and would be a great help to the church if it were more widely circulated.

2. We also call your attention to The Herald of Gospel Liberty, of Dayton, Ohio, as the organ of the American Christian Convention of the United States and Canada. It is a bright, clean paper, and ought to be taken by all who can do so.

3. We recommend that each delegate of this body take or subscribe to The Sun, and that he use his influence in circulating it in his church and community.

4. We recommend that the books and religious matter written by our preachers, editors and authors, both North and South, be circulated and read, as much as possible, in this Conference. Don't let us be too much prejudiced against our own literature, but let us "seize upon truth wherever it is found."

5. We recommend the reading and study of good, safe, sound books from the many beautiful and spiritual writers of the present time, and that all of us, as nearly as we can, keep up with the grand age in which we live.

6. In the last place, we would not fail to urge upon all to study more prayerfully and faithfully the Bible, the everlasting Word of God. In it there is such a splendid variety of religious literature which will help to bring us to Jesus and guide us to our home in heaven. The eternal light flashing with intense beauty from its inspired pages will gladden every soul as it passes the King's highway.

J. T. KITCHEN,
J. P. BARRETT,
A. SAVAGE,
Committee.

The Committee on Religious Services announced that Rev. N. G. Mewman would preach in Whaleyville to-night.

Conference at this point adourned until 2 o'clock p. m. for preaching and dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President in the chair.

D. B. Roberts, of Antioch, and J. E. West, of Suffolk, were enrolled.

The committee on place of holding the next session reported in favor of Waverly.

On motion, their report was adopted.

The special committee on memoirs submitted their report. After tender and touching tributes to the memory of the deceased by the following, viz., Dr. W. W. Staley, Dr. J. P. Barrett, Rev. J. T. Kitchen, Rev. M. W. Butler, J. E. West, Dr. W. S. Long, Rev. I. W. Johnson, Rev. J. W. Harrell and Rev. R. H. Peel, the report was adopted by a rising vote.

REV. W. J. LAINE.

Born in Southampton county, Va., June 18, 1863, and died at the "Beale House" in Suffolk, May 28, 1898. He was nearing his thirty-fifth birthday. He was the second son of William F. and Mary E. Laine.

Converted in 1882, chosen deacon of Burton's Grove in 1883, entered the Biblical class in 1887, became a student in Suffolk Collegiate Institute in 1888, and enetered Elon College September 2, 1890, and graduated in June, 1894; spent part of 1894 and 1895 in Harvard Divin-

ity School, and then returned to Virginia, where he supplied Suffolk Church in the fall of 1895, and subsequently served Oakland, Mount Zion, Isle of Wight Court House, Windsor and Holland churches as pastor.

His health failed in January, 1898, and rapid declension under consumption terminated within five months that life so full of promise to the church. Measured by all the standards known to us, he embodied those natural endowments and acquired traits of character that commend the minister to our esteem. Modest and brave, studious and prayerful, diligent and fervent, sincere and liberal, he won his way into public favor and private confidence, and seemed to be entering upon a ministerial career of growth and usefulness. His churches were working out of debt, organizing their forces for active service, enlisting the interest of the young people with new hope, laying plans for systematic giving to the cause of Christ, and tuning their harps for sweeter praises.

His greatest grief was to go before he had refunded all the money Conference had loaned him for his education, but it was no fault of his, and our loss is his gain.

In view of his education, his devotion to the ministry, his Christian manhood and his promise of great usefulness, therefore

Resolved 1, That we surrender our claim upon his life and service in resignation to the divine call which has transferred him from labor to reward, knowing well that He who ministers to the world in love deals in wisdom with His church.

2. That we cannot refrain from placing on record our love for our departed co-worker in the gospel, and that we will endeavor to close our shields and fill the place made vacant by his death and to complete the work which he so bravely inaugurated while living.

3. That we extend to his aged parents and their family our Christian sympathy in this dark hour, assuring them of our regard for their son and our purpose to cherish his memory in our hearts.

4. That a copy of these resolutions be entered upon our records, offered the Christian Sun for publication, and sent to his father.

J. PRESSLEY BARRETT,
W. W. STALEY,
N. G. NEWMAN.

O. M. Cockes and O. J. Cockes, from New Lebanon, arrived and were enrolled.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Our home work is becoming more important each year, as the field is increasing and spreading itself out before us at home and abroad. Our work is growing and increasing in the foreign field, and this demands at our hands a greater effort to sustain and increase our home work. There is no work greater or more important to us than

that of carrying the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ to those who have it not in our own beloved country, and upon the success of the home work depends the future welfare of our foreign work.

We do not believe, while there has been marked increase in the work at home and abroad, that we are doing our whole duty in this direction. We believe that it is our privilege, and that we ought to do more at home and abroad for the salvation of souls and the building up of God's kingdom in the world. Therefore, we recommend—

1st. That the pastors, deacons and delegates present make special effort the coming year to show each church its duty respecting the home work, and that each church be assessed a reasonable amount, according to their membership, and that they be required to send said amount to our next annual meeting or render a reasonable excuse for failure in so doing.

2d, That one note of five hundred dollars ($500) and interest, now due; one hundred and fifty dollars ($150), making six hundred and fifty dollars ($650), be paid on account of the Norfolk Memorial Temple, which will leave a balance due of two thousand dollars ($2,000), four notes of five hundred dollars each.

3d, That as the Christian Missionary Association is doing a good work in the Virginia Valley, we give to it our hearty support and continue the three memberships and pay the same in said Association.

H. H. BUTLER,
WM. H. JONES, Jr.,
M. W. BUTLER.

Discussed by Revs. H. H. Butler, M. W. Butler and W. W. Staley, and adopted as above.

The Collector's report was presented and read, and, on motion, referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Report on Foreign Missions was submitted and, on motion, was made special order for to-morrow at 11 o'clock.

It was moved and carried that church letters be arranged so as to provide for showing the value of church property.

The Ministerial Report of Rev. J. W. Barrett was received.

The following announcement was made: That Rev. M W. Butler would preach to-morrow at 12 o'clock in this church, and that Rev. J. W. Harrell would preach at the same time in the grove.

On motion, the Conference adjourned to meet to-morrow at 10 o'clock a .m.

Prayer by Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D.

FOURTH DAY.

Conference was called to order by the President.

Religious services were conducted by Rev. Moses P. Porter.

Roll of ministers and delegates was called and absentees noted.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

On motion, Rev. J. H. Kabler, pastor of East M. E. Church, and Rev. W. T. Green, pastor of Main Street M. E. Church, Suffolk, Va., were invited to seats as deliberative members.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ASSESSMENTS.

NAME.	Home Missions	Foreign Missions.	Educational Fund.	Superannuated Fund.	Conference.	Convention.	Elon College.	Total Amounts
Antioch	$ 65	$ 16	$ 8	$ 5	$ 5	$ 5	$ 25	$ 129
Barrett's	10	7	5	1	2	2	5	32
Berea, Norfolk	46	19	11	3	3	3	25	110
Berea, Nansemond	90	25	20	5	5	5	50	200
Berkley	25	15	8	4	5	4	20	81
Bethany	25	8	3	2	3	3	12	52
Bethlehem	75	20	10	2	5	3	26	131
Burton's Grove	23	13	3	2	4	2	10	57
Centerville	8	4	2	1	1	1	3	20
Cypress Chapel	85	20	10	2	5	3	26	151
Damascus	50	15	10	2	5	3	25	110
Eure's	18	10	6	2	4	2	8	50
Franklin	15	10	5	2	4	2	5	43
Holland	35	15	5	2	3	2	15	77
Holy Neck	90	25	20	5	6	4	40	190
Isle of Wight, C. H.	10	5	5	2	4	2	13	41
Ivor	10	5	4	1	3	1	3	27
Johnson's Grove	15	8	5	2	4	2	10	46
Liberty Spring	45	15	10	3	4	3	15	95
Mt. Carmel	40	8	5	2	4	2	16	77
Mt. Zion	25	8	5	2	4	2	7	53
New Lebanon	12	8	5	2	3	2	7	39
Norfolk	35	18	12	2	5	3	30	105
Oakland	35	10	10	3	4	2	15	79
Providence	30	20	10	2	4	2	30	98
Spring Hill	15	8	8	2	4	2	15	54
Sarem	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	9
Suffolk	120	45	20	5	6	4	100	300
Union—Surry	15	9	5	2	3	1	10	45
Union—South	10	6	4	1	2	1	5	29
Waverly	30	10	5	2	3	2	20	72
Windsor	15	6	4	1	1	1	10	38
Emporia	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
Totals	$ 1122	$ 412	$ 244	$ 75	$ 119	$ 77	$ 605	$2,654

N. G. NEWMAN,
A. T. HOLLAND,
DAVID McCLENNY, } Com.

Adopted.

The following resolution was offered:

That the Committee on Assessments be instructed to correspond with the various churches in regard to their failure to pay their assessments, so as to assist the committee in making their annual report.

After considerable discussion the resolution was carried.

The time having arrived for the special order, the Report on Foreign Missions was taken up.

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT.

The enterprise of the Church of Christ today is the giving of the gospel to the heathen world. Jesus himself has so ordered, as in Mark xvi: 15, 16. This work in our church is at present limited to Japan, but the way, we trust, is surely opening to enter other inviting fields, of which there are so many, and of these many are white, all ready to harvest.

The progress of our work in Japan, while necessarily slow, is encouraging. At present the following facts sepak as to the scope of the work:

Whole number of missionaries in the field	5
stations	7
out stations	18
organized churches	5
Partly self-supporting	5
Day schools	1
Pupils	40
Night schools	1
Pupils	17
Ministerial students	5
Ordained native preachers	4
Unordained native preachers	5
Bible women	3
Total native helpers	12
Money contributed to the work by the Japanese	$62.28

Thus showing a net gain in the past year of one lady missionary (Miss True); of three out stations; of one Sunday-school; of one unordained native preacher; and a net gain in church membership of 17.

Expansion in the Lord's work is the order of the Word of God. We should do more for the foreign field the coming year. There is no surer way to the accomplishment of much good at home than by doing much in the foreign field. God is looking to the people who have the gospel to carry it to those who have it not. Our success,

then, at home will be assured largely by the effort we put forth abroad. Surely we need less display in our worship at home, and greater sacrifice and service in behalf of the foreign field. Looking in this direction, we urge the Conference to a careful and prayerful consideration of the wisdom of undertaking greater things for the foreign work. May we ask, Could not this body, in an effort, united, undertake the establishment of a work in some new field under the direction of our American Christian Convention Foreign Mission Board? May God help us to answer according to his pleasure.

Respectfully submitted,

J. PRESSLEY BARRETT,
WILLIS J. LEE,
J. T. KITCHEN.

Discussed by Dr. J. P. Barrett, Josiah Wilkins and Dr. W. W. Staley, and adopted.

On motion, preaching in the house to-day was dispensed with, and Conference was directed to continue in session until the business of this year was completed.

The chair announced standing committees, as follows:

Education—W. W. Staley, M. W. Butler, N. G. Newman.

Home Missions—H. H. Butler, N. G. Newman, J. W. Barrett, Col. A. Savage, J. E. West, W. J. Lee.

Foreign Missions—J. P. Barrett, M. P. Porter, I. W. Johnson, J. W. Folk.

Moral Reform—J. W. Harrell, M. W. Butler, L. H. Whitley, J. E. Vincent.

Sabbath Schools—I. W. Johnson, J. W. Harrell, M. P. Porter, J. A. McCloud, Jr., R. H. Holland.

Religious Literature—J. T. Kitchen, J. P. Barrett, W. W. Staley, E. E. Holland.

Christian Endeavor Work—M. W. Butler, J. W. Barrett, J. W. Harrell, A. M. Eley.

Executive Committee—W. W. Staley, N. G. Newman, H. H. Butler.

Assessments—N. G. Newman, A. T. Holland, J. W. Harrell, I. A. Luke, M. L. Watkins.

The Secretary was instructed to draw on the Treasurer, through the Conference Fund, for $5.92, amount of bill rendered, and also for $20, his usual allowance for services.

The Tabulating Committee offered their report, and, on motion, it was accepted. (For Report on Church Letters, see Statistical Table.)

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

NAME.	POST OFFICE.	Number of Churches.	Sermons Preached.	Addresses Delivered	Prayer-Meetings Held.	Conversions.	Pastoral Visits.	Funerals.	Marriages.	Members Received.	Baptisms.	Subscribers to Christian Sun.	Salary.
Barrett, J. P.	Norfolk, Va.	1	224	20	75	----	----	----	----	20	13	----	$ 1,200 00
Barrett, J. W.	Windsor, Va.	3	90	----	----	----	200	----	1	20	13	----	400 00
Butler, H. H.	Suffolk, Va.	5	117	4	----	130	262	22	17	----	51	----	950 00
Butler, M. W.	Berkley, Va.	2	136	10	42	12	----	20	12	8	6	----	950 00
Harrell, J. W.	Waverly, Va.	7	196	1	30	67	----	8	14	61	19	----	635 00
Hurley, M. L.	Elon College, N. C.	6	134	27	17	33	----	4	2	14	9	----	510 00
Holland, R. H.	Holland, Va.	----	50	----	----	----	----	3	4	----	----	----	----
Kitchen, J. T.	Windsor, Va.	4	80	----	----	45	200	5	12	26	24	----	320 00
Long, W. S.	Elon College, N. C.	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----
Moore, H. C.	Charlottesville, Va.	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----
Newman, N. G.	Franklin, Va.	3	100	2	11	1	213	13	6	9	15	----	764 00
Staley, W. W.	Suffolk, Va.	1	100	10	40	60	500	17	5	44	30	----	1,200 00
Johnson, I. W.	Windsor, Va.	3	31	----	8	30	92	----	----	16	----	----	125 00
Totals		35	1,258	74	223	278	1,467	92	73	218	180	----	$ 7,054 00

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We have examined reports of Treasurer and Collectors, and find them corect, being accompanied by vouchers for all disbursements.

A. SAVAGE,
A. T. HOLLAND,
Committee.

Adopted.

TREASTRER'S REPORT.

HOME MISSION FUND.

1897.			
Nov. 1	Balance on hand	60	
" 6	Conference Collection	775 34	
			775 94
" 9	Paid Rev. Dr. Staley (voucher herewith)	680 00	
" 27	Paid Educational Eund " "	15 00	
1898.			
Jan. 11	Paid T. R. Gaskins, Treasurer (voucher herewith)	30 00	
			725 00
Nov. 1	Balance on hand Cr. Home Mission Fund		$ 50 94

CONVENTION FUND.

1897.			
Nov. 1	Balance on hand	$ 198 07	
Nov. 6	Conference Collection	51 84	
			$ 249 91
Nov. 27	Paid Conference Fund (voucher herewith)	$ 31 00	
Nov. 27	Paid Conference Fund (voucher herewith)	13 00	
			44 00
	Balance on hand Cr. Convention Fund		$ 205 91

FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

1897.			
Nov. 1	Balance on hand	$ 343 33	
Nov. 6	Conference Collection	290 49	
Nov. 27	From Convention Fund	31 00	
			$ 664 82
Nov. 27	Paid J. A. Mills, Treasurer (voucher herewith)		400 00
	Balance on hand Cr. Foreign Missions		$ 264 82

PUBLISHING HOUSE FUND.

1897.			
Nov. 1	Balance on hand		$ 88 91

SUPERANNUATED FUND.

1897.			
Nov. 1	Balance on hand	$ 206 51	
Nov. 6	Conference Collection	51 66	
	Balance on hand to credit Superannuated Fund		$ 258 17

CONFERENCE AND PUBLICATION FUND.

1897.			
Nov. 1	Balance on hand	$ 18	
Nov. 6	Conference Collection	77 83	
Nov. 6	Special Colection	17 84	
Nov. 27	From Convention Fund	13 00	
Nov. 27	From Convention Fund	31 00	
			$ 139 85
Nov. 8	Paid T. J. Lawrence, voucher herewith	$ 24 13	
Nov. 23	Paid M. W. Butler, voucher herewith	1 20	
Nov. 27	Paid Foreign Mission Fund, voucher herewith	31 00	
Dec. 4	Paid E. L. Moffitt, voucher herewith	80 00	
Dec. 7	Paid J. P. Barrett	2 75	
			139 08
	Balance on hand to credit Conference and Publication Fund		$ 77

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

1897.			
Nov. 1	Balance on Hand	$ 533 39	
Nov. 6	Conference Collection	163 93	
Nov. 27	From Home Mission Fund	15 00	
1898.			
Oct. 31	From N. G. Newman, on bond	50 00	
			$ 762 32
1897.			
Nov. 23	Paid L. L. Lassiter, voucher herewith	50 00	
Nov. 23	Paid J. M. Roberts, voucher herewith	25 00	
Nov. 24	Paid I W. Johnson, voucher herewith	50 00	
Nov. 24	Paid C. C. Jones, voucher herewith	37 50	
Nov. 24	Paid D. P. Barrett, voucher herewith	37 50	
Nov. 30	Paid Geo. J. Green, voucher herewith	50 00	
1898.			
Jan. 31	Paid I. W. Johnson, voucher herewith	50 00	
Feb. 4	Paid C. C. Jones, voucher herewith	37 50	
Feb. 4	Paid L. L. Lassiter, voucher herewith	50 00	
Mch. 14	Paid D. P. Barrett, voucher herewith	37 50	
Mch. 23	Paid J. M. Roberts, voucher herewith	25 00	
Apl. 22	Paid Geo. J. Green, voucher herewith	50 00	
			$ 500 00
	Balance on hand to credit Educational Fund		$ 262 32

SUMMARY.

On hand to credit Home Mission Fund	$ 50 94
On hand to credit Convention Fund	249 91
On hand to credit Foreign Mission Fund	264 82
On hand to credit Publishing House Fund	88 91
On hand to credit Superannuated Fund	258 17
On hand to credit Conference and Publication Fund,	77
On hand to credit Educational Fund	262 32
Total amount of funds on hand Nov. 1st., 1898,	$1,175 84

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MEMORANDUM OF BONDS ON HAND:

N. G. Newman	$ 190 00
W. J. Laine	475 00
R. H. Peel	99 50
J. W. Harrell	137 50

WM. H. JONES, JR.,
Treas., E. V. C. C.

COLLECTORS' REPORT.

Amounts collected as follows: Home Missions, $707.13; Foreign Missions, $264; Education, $149.50; Superannuated Fund, $46.81; Conference Fund, $69.45; Convention Fund, $48.60; Publishing House, $61.66. Total, $1,347.15.

A. M. ELEY,
I. A. LUKE,
Committee.

The question of Annuals was taken up, and, after some discussion, the matter was deferred until a more opportune time.

The Committee on Education was directed to examine Bro. D. P. Barrett, of Antioch Church, and, if the examination be satisfactory, authorize the President of this Conference to license him.

The Secretary was instructed to draw an order on the Treasurer for $400 for Foreign Mission Fund in favor of J. A. Mills, Treasurer of Southern Christian Convention, as directed in Report on Foreign Missions.

Resolved, That we record a vote of thanks to this church, its pastor and the community for the very hospitable entertainment of this session, and also to the railroads for special rates.

M. W. BUTLER.

The resolution was heartily adopted.

The Committee on Sabbath Schools announced that they could not agree on their report.

Rev. M. W. Butler made a talk on Christian Endeavor Work.

The question of Annuals was again taken up, and, after considerable discussion, the following resolution was adopted:

That Conference Fund borrow $36 from Publishing House Fund, and that this Conference order 1,000 copies of the Annual, the same to be distributed according to membership in the churches.

The Secretary was ordered to draw an order on the Treasurer for $80 from Conference Fund to pay for Annuals.

On motion, Conference adjourned to meet with the Christian Church of Waverly, Va., on Tuesday before the first Sunday in November, 1899, at 10 o'clock a. m.

W. S. LONG, President,
Elon College, N. C.

T. J. LAWRENCE, Secretary,
South Quay, Va.

I. W. JOHNSON, Assistant Secretary,
Suffolk, Va.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND HIS POST-OFFICE.	Present Membership.	Reported Last Session.	Received Since.	Dismissed.	Withdrawn.	Died.	Suspended or Expelled.	Number of Families.	Paid Pastor.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Educational Fund.	Superannuated Fund.	Convention Fund.	Conference Fund.	Other Purposes.	Totals.
Antioch	H. H. Butler	N. B. Munford, windsor, Va.	237	237	8		3	3	5		$ 200 00	$ 12 00	$ 5	$ 3 00	$ 2 00	$ 1 00	$ 1 00	$ 12 00	$ 237 81
Barretts	J. W. Harrell	J. D. Pond, Airfield,	128	137	3	2		4	6		40 90	6 00	4	3 00	1 00	1 00	1 50		57 40
Berea (Nor.)	M. W. Butler	M. W. Hollowell, Great Bridge	153	155	2			4		53	250 00	12 00	8	3 00	1 00	1 50		175 07	475 00
Berea (Nan.)	N. G. Newman	F. M. Arthur, Deans	98	99	1	1		1		22	350 00	90 00	25	20 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	175 00	665 00
Berkley	M. W. Butler	B. F. Townsend, Berkley	158	191	4			2	35	33	700 00	28 00	10	5 00	2 00	3 00	3 00	550 00	1,301 00
Bethany	J. W. Harrell	T. J. Lawrence, South Quay	62	63	5		1			28	127 59	20 00	5	3 00	2 06	2 00	3 00	8 00	170 63
Bethlehem	H. H. Butler	J. W. Faulk, Suffolk	292	333	22	3		6	54		200 00	37 00	16	5 00	1 00	1 00	3 00	160 00	423 00
Burton's Grove	J. W. Harrell	E. W. Carroll, Wakefield	120	112	13	2	2	1		34	100 00	20 00	10	5 00	1 00	2 00	2 00		140 00
Centerville	J. W. Harrell	W. M. Furgerson, Disputanta	36	32	5	1	3	1		11	37 30	4 00	2	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00		48 30
Cypress Chapel	H. H. Butler	A. C. Harrell, Cypress Chapel	245	249	16	6		2	12		225 00	23 21	1	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	52 00	305 21
Damascus	R. H. Peel	J. R. Corbitt, Sunsbury, N. C.	266	249	17			1			200 00	10 55	1	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	40 00	255 55
Emporia	J. W. Harrell																		
Eures	J. T. Kitchen	W. M. Barkman, Eures	179	161	21		3			48	100 00	2 00		1 00		1 00		30 00	134 00
Franklin	N. G. Newman	Annie Lee Gardner, Franklin	45	46		1				8	150 00	13 00	10	5 00	1 00	4 00	5 00	305 00	493 00
Holland	I. W. Johnson	R. H. Holland, Holland	211	239		5	2		21	37	150 00	30 00	10					500 00	690 00
Holy Neck	N. G. Newman	J. T. Rawls, Box Elder	433	446	3	3	2	7	4		334 45	95 00	30	20 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	8 66	538 07
Isle of Wight C. H.	I. W. Johnson	R. L. Spivy, Isle of Wight C. H.	93	85	8					93	100 00	12 00	7	3 00	1 00		1 00		126 00
Ivor	J. T. Kitchen	B. H. Laine, Ivor	36					1	21										
Johnson's Grove	J. W. Barrett	J. W. Johnson, Aidyle	76	102			4	2	20	53	66 00	2 00					43		68 43
Liberty Spring	H. H. Butler	T. E. Parker. Savage's Crossing	197	203		2		3	1	45	150 00	18 00	5	5 00	2 00	3 00	2 00	23 00	208 00
Mt. Carmel	H. H. Butler	R. E. Turner, Windsor	190	188	6	2		2				12 00	3	3 00	50	1 00	3 90	69 50	92 00
Mt. Zion	J. W. Barrett	G. W. Haughwont, Crittenden																	
New Lebanon	J. W. Barrett	O. V. Cocks, Sexton	78	75			2	1			125 00	10 00	8	4 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	25 00	178 00
Norfolk	J. P. Barrett	M. J. W. White, Norfolk	251	232	22	3				129	1,000 00	30 00	15	13 00	2 00	2 00	5 00	1,590 79	2,656 79
Oakland	I. W. Johnson	E. C. Ramsey, Chuckatuck	134	149	8		2	21	53	218 75	20 00	6						23 16	267 91
Providence	J. P. Barrett	F. L. Portlock, Norfolk	77	78		1			23	200 00	21 00	16	3 00	1 00	2 00	4 00	200 00		447 00
Sarem	H. H. Butler	C. J. Savage, Sarem, N. C.	31	24	7														350 00
Spring Hill	J. W. Harrell	C. C. Richardson, Dun	102	108	2	1	7			30	59 75	10 00	4	5 00	1 00	2 00	3 00	13 75	98 50
Suffolk	W. W. Staley	B. F. Cutchen, Suffolk	398	357	44	2	1	2		100	1,200 00	120 00	45	20 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	1,969 91	3,369 91
Union (Surry)	J. T. itchen	C. W. Whitmore, Sexton	90	86	6	3				22	116 55	10 00	9	5 00	2 00	2 00	7 00	2 00	153 55
Union (South'ton)	J. T. Kitchen	J. I. Joyner, Isaac	101	113			1		12		51 16	1 00	1	1 00	75	75	72		56 43
Wavely	J. W. Harrell	R. T. West, Waverly	117	116	5		2	2		50	267 75	24 50	7	4 00	2 00	1 00	2 00		307 75
Windsor		T. E. Baird, Windsor	58	62		3					25 00	10 20	5	2 50			2 50	101 72	146 72
Totals			4748	4818	235	41	30	46	207	728	$6,554 28	$ 707 16	$ 241	$ 108 50	$ 43 31	$ 55 10	$ 69 35	$ 5,334 46	$ 14,460 96

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Eastern N. C. Christian Conference,

HELD AT

PLEASANT HILL CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

Pleasant Hill Christian Church,
Johnston County N. C., Nov, 10, 1898.

The conference was called to order by Rev. G. R. Underwood, president last session. Religious exercises conducted by Rev. A. P. Barbee, reading Prov. 10 chapter and prayer.

The roll of Elders and churches was called with the following response:

Elders:—W. G. Clements, Jas. L. Foster, W. D. Harward, L. W. Mangum, G. R. Underwood, J. D. Wicker, W. C. Wicker, A. P. Barbee, and S. B. Klapp.

Auburn.
Antioch.
Amelia.—J. E. Austin, W. R. Pool.
Beulah.—J. H. Moody.
Christian Chapel.—L. S. Mann, J. B. Davis.
Catawba Springs.—J. E. Franks, E. A. Johnson.
Christian Light.—A. S. Arnold, J. E. Senter.
Damascus.
Ebenezer.
Hayes' Chapel.—M. Jones.
Liberty.—O. W. Ayscue, Geo. T. Whitaker.
Mt. Hermon.
Mt. Carmel.

Mt. Auburn.—T. J. Haskins, J. M. Caudle.
Mt. Gilead.—J. T. Edwards.
Morrisville.
Moore Union.
Martha's Chapel.
New Elam.—D. A. Mann, A. G. Mann.
New Hill.
New Hope.—John Edwards, N. M. Rodgers.
Oak Level.
O'Kelley's Chapel.—J. S. Harward, Jas. Atkins.
Plymouth.—D. D. Banks.
Pleasant Hill.—R. M. Barber, Benj. Mathews.
Pleasant Union.—J. R. McCloud.
Pleasant Grove.
Pope's Chapel.—A. J. Morton, A. M. House.
Piney Plains.
Raleigh.—A. Moring.
Spilona.—Mrs. Lassiter.
Shallow Well.—J. C. Kelly, W. L. Thomas
Six Forks.
Turner's Chapel.—W. B. Dowdy, E. J. Johnson.
Walnut Grove.
Wake Chapel.—K. B. Johnson, W. J. Ballentine.
Wentworth.—Geo. M. McCullers, C. H. Stephenson.
Youngsville.—W. T. Young.

The certificate of transfer of Rev. S. B. Klapp from the North Carolina and Virginia Conference was read and on motion he was received as an Elder in this Conference.

The president then announced the next thing in order was the election of a president and an assistant secretary, and on ballot Rev. G. R. Underwood was elected president and Rev. W. D. Harward assistant secretary.

Rev. L. W. Mangum, pastor of the church, extended a hearty welcome to the conference in behalf of the church and community; the response in behalf of the conference was made by Prof. W. C. Wicker.

The hour having arrived for the annual address Rev. W. G. Clements who was elected last session announced as his subject, "The Future Prospects of the Christian Church as Reflected by its Past History." Scripture lesson Acts 10:1-43.

The address was filled with historical facts.

On motion, Rev. Clements was requested to furnish a copy of his address for publication in the Christian Sun.

On motion, Revs. J. W. Wellons, of the North Carolina and Virginia, and W. S. Long, Fraternal delegate, from the Eastern Virginia, and Prof. E. L. Moffitt of the Western North Carolina Christian Conferences and Rev. T. A. Pounds, of the Missionary Baptist church, were invited to seats as deliberative members and they responded in appropriate words.

On motion J. E. Ballentine, treasurer of this Conference was invited to seat as deliberative member. Conference adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Concerence called to order by the president.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Business transacted during the year has been as follows:

First, the license of J. W. Fuquay having been revoked by the Conference at the annual session of 1897, and he having refused to surrender his credentials to the Secretary of the Conference, we made a special order requesting the said J. W. Fuquay to surrender his license to the Secretary of this Conference; and as he has persistently refused to comply with the request, we recommend that the adoption of this report shall have the full force to cancel his credentials as a minister in the Christian Church.

Second, we held two missionary meetings during the year—one in Section No. 1 and one in Section No. 2.

Third, we allowed an account of three dollars to the Secretary for stationery.

W. G. CLEMENTS,
J. D. WICKER,
JAS. L. FOSTER,
Committee.

The report adopted.

By motion, the secretary was instructed to communicate the action of this Conference—the revoking of the license of J. W. Fuquay in session 1897, to the Free Will Baptist Conference, also send a copy of a letter written by him to Rev. W. G. Clements.

An account of the secretary was presented and referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion the chair appointed the following Committee on Finance,

K. B. JOHNSON,
D. A. MANN,
JOHN EDWARDS,

The petition of Bethel Christian Church for membership in this body was granted and C. F. Spence enrolled as delegate.

A petition from Mt. Carmel for aid, referred to committee on Home Missions.

The chair called for the Church Letters and ordered their reading.

Conference adjourned to meet at 9:30 a. m. tomorrow.

Prayer by Rev. J. W. Wellons.

SECOND DAY, NOVEMBER 11.

At 9:30 a. m., the chairman called the Conference to order. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., reading Phil. 2nd. chapter.

Minutes read corrected and appproved. On motion Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., of the Eastern Virginia Conference was invited to a seat as a deliberative member of this body.

Dr. Barrett was granted one hour in which to present the work of the Christian Missionary Association this p. m.

A partial report of the Committee on Home Missions was read and discussed.

The report received.

Ministerial reports called and read. By motion Geo. M. McCullers was appointed to collect money for Annuals.

Additional church letters handed in and read. A letter from Rev. N. G. Newman, President of the Christian Missionary Association, was read.

On motion Rev. J. D. Wicker was elected to deliver the annual sermon at next session of this body; with Rev. A. P. Barbee as alternate.

By a rising vote Wentworth Christian church was selected as the place for holding next annual session of this body.

Reports of Fraternal Messengers were received.

By motion the chair appointed the pastor and deacons of Pleasant Hill church as committee on Religious Exercises.

The delegates to the Southern Christian Convention reported.

On motion the secretary was allowed fifteen dollars for his services the past year.

Conference adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

One p. m., the Willing Helpers called to order by vice-president, K. B. Johnson. The Willing Helpers held a very interesting session, and secured a number of new members.

At one thirty Rev. J. P. Barrett, Secretary of the Christian Missionary Association, delivered a very interesting address on the work of the association, and also by the use of a large illustrated map showing the religious conditions of the world, made a very earnest plea for Foreign Missions.

The conference raised ten dollars for a membership in the Association, and Rev. J. L. Foster was chosen to represent the Conference in the Association.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

Christianity encourages a very high standard of morality. Nothing that is contrary to the life of Christ can be justified by the word of inspiration.

We recommend—

1st. That the ministers and laymen of the church labor not only to keep themselves pure, but to emphasize that high standard of morality that will eliminate the many immoral practices that are indulged in by many professors of religion.

2d. That in all things that are good we strive to manifest a charitable Christian spirit.

3d. That we guard our words and strive to abstain from bearing false witness against our brethren.

4th. That the holy Sabbath day be kept in sacred service to God.

5th. That the pastors exercise a strict discipline over the churches in their charge.

L. W. MANGUM,
J. D. WICKER.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

There is no enterprise in the church that is of more importance to its progress than the Sunday-school, and we are glad to note the interest taken in this work. Childhood is filled with promise and hope, and the church should encourage, train and develop all the latent possibilities that they possess so as to prepare them for the highest usefulness.

We recommend that the pastors take an active part in the Sunday-schools in their pastoral charge, and do all in their power to make the Sunday-school Convention a success by sending representatives from the schools and by attending the Convention.

We recommend that the Sunday-schools use the literature published by our own Publishing House, Dayton, Ohio, and that special effort be made to improve the music in the schools.

A. P. BARBEE,
W. C. WICKER,
W. G. CLEMENTS,
Committee.

APPORTIONMENTS.

CHURCHES.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Superannuated Fund.	Conference Fund.	Elon College Fund.
Antioch	$ 3 00	$ 1 00	$ 1 00	$ 50	$ 50	$ 3 50
Auburn	8 00	2 00	3 00	50	50	8 00
Amelia	1 00	50	50	25	25	1 50
Bethel	1 00	50	25	25	20	1 00
Beulah	4 00	2 00	1 00	50	50	4 50
Bethany	3 00	50	50	25	25	2 50
Catawba Springs	5 00	10 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	11 25
Christian Chapel	8 00	3 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	9 00
Christian Light	3 00	1 00	50	50	50	3 00
Damascus	15 00	6 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	15 00
Ebenezer	6 00	2 00	1 00	50	1 00	6 00
Good Hope	4 00	2 00	2 00	50	50	5 00
Hayes' Chapel	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	75	3 50
Liberty	15 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	1 00	15 00
Mt. Auburn	15 00	4 00	4 00	1 00	1 00	15 00
Mt. Carmel	2 00	1 00	50	1 00	25	2 50
Mt. Hermon	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	50	3 50
Martha's Chapel	6 00	2 00	1 00	50	50	6 00
Moore Union	4 00	2 00	2 00	50	50	5 00
Morrisville	5 00	2 00	1 00	50	50	5 00
Mt Gilead	50	1 00	25	20	25	1 00
New Elam	8 00	3 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	9 00
New Hope	4 00	2 00	2 00	50	70	5 00
New Hill	1 00	50	50	25	25	1 25
O'Kelley's Chapel	6 00	5 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	7 50
Oak Level	10 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	1 50	10 00
Pleasant Union	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	60	3 00
Pleasant Hill	3 00	1 00	50	25	25	3 00
Pleasant Grove	1 00	50	50	50	25	1 50
Pope's Chapel	10 00	3 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	10 00
Plymouth	5 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	75	5 00
Piney Plains	2 00	1 00	1 00	50	30	2 50
Raleigh	12 00	3 00	3 00	1 00	75	10 00
Spilona	3 00	50	25	50	50	2 50
Shallow Well	10 00	5 00	3 00	1 20	1 20	10 00
Six Forks	1 00	25	25	20	20	1 00
Turner's Chapel	3 00	2 00	1 00	50	50	3 50
Wake Chapel	15 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	15 00
Walnut Grove	4 00	2 00	50	50	50	4 00
Wentworth	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	50	3 00
Youngsville	2 00	1 00	1 00	50	50	2 50

W. C. WICKER,
G. R. UNDERWOOD,
J. D. WICKER.

Report adopted.

Conference adjourned. Prayer by Rev. J. P. Barrett.

THIRD DAY.—NOV. 12.

Conference called to order by President Underwood.

Religious exercises by Rev. T. A. Pounds.

Minutes read and approved.

By motion, it was decided that when this Conference adjourn, it adjourn to meet on Wednesday before the second Sunday in November, 1899.

All speeches were limited to five minutes, except the chairman of committees and Dr. Long, Financial Agent of Elon College, and Prof. E. L. Moffitt, editor of The Christian Sun.

BANNER CHURCHES.

Antioch,	Mt. Auburn,	O'Kelley's Chapel,
Beulah,	Morrisville,	Raleigh,
Damascus,	Moore Union,	Six Forks,
Ebenezer,	New Hill,	Turner's Chapel,
Good Hope,	New Hope,	Wentworth,
Liberty,	Oak Level,	

NOTE.—To be a "Banner Church" is to pay all Conference Assessments.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

We find that during the present Conference year one new church has been organized, situated in Wake County, N. C., about six miles east of Christian Chapel and seven miles west of Wake Chapel, with a membership of seventeen (17). There are other points where churches could and should be established if we had the means, but the assessments of Conference in many cases fall short, and in some instances are entirely ignored.

We are inclined to the belief that some steps should be taken by which the assessments will receive such attention as will impress the churches throughout the Conference with the great importance of raising in full the amounts asked for.

We again call the attention of our pastors to the organizing of Ladies' Aid Societies in their churches, and request that they bring this matter prominently to the front and give such aid and counsel as shall be necessary to promote and move forward this work.

We recommend that these societies resolve themselves into a general Mission Board, to meet at the same time and place with Conference, but in a separate body, and make their own report to this body, and that they be represented by the President and one delegate from each society.

We believe that the assessments of Conference are made upon the supposed ability of the churches to pay, and not with the idea of oppressing any; and in view of this fact, we venture the following recommendation:

We recommend that Conference in the future require each delinquent church to give a good and satisfactory reason why such delinquency exists, and in the absence of such excuse a committee shall be appointed to investigate the cause.

We are unable to render the aid called for from the points needing help, from the fact that so many churches failed to raise their assessments.

We recommend the following appropriations:

Pleasant Grove, $25, payable 1st June 1899.

Amelia, $25, payable 1st December, 1898.

Six Forks, $15, payable 1st June, 1899.

Mt. Gilead, $15, payable 1st June, 1899.

Bethel, $15, payable 1st June, 1899.

Raleigh, $50, payable quarterly.

We recommend that $25 be appropriated to Antioch, provided the services of a minister can be secured for that point who will be acceptable to them.

J. D. WICKER,
T. J. HASKINS.

The report Adopted.

EDUCATIONAL REPORT.

The Christian Church, with its broad and liberal views, the Bible as its only rule of faith and practice, and a republican form of government, demands the highest type of Christian culture.

There is no higher authority in the interpretation of scripture than the individual mind; therefore man should be so thoroughly prepared both in heart and in head as to qualify him to meet the responsibilities that confront him in the study and application of the Word of God.

To the minister Christ should be the highest ideal, and his mind should be so thoroughly trained as to enable him to grasp the broadest conceptions of Christ's life. The laity should be so cultured as to comprehend these broad conceptions of Christianity and impress them upon society so as to mould character according to the divine type. The consecrated men and women of the church have not been unconscious of this great need, and in response to this feeling they have combined their free-will offerings in the erection and equipment of

Elon College. This institution has had a flattering history. Forty-six graduates have been sent out from her halls to infuse new life into all the enterprises of the church. Elon College expects the church to support her by its prayers, its patronage and its money, and promises to give in return a consecrated Christian ministry and laity, cultured in head and heart.

1. We recommend that this Conference raise annually the amount of two hundred dollars as a college fund, as requested by the Southern Christian Convention.

2. We recommend that Rev. T. A. Pounds, of the Missionary Baptist Church, be received as an elder in this Conference.

3. We recommend that Bro. Herbert Scholz be licensed to the gospel ministry by this committee.

4. We recommend that Conference loan Rev. L. F. Johnson $40 to aid him in school at Elon College, and the usual note be taken for the same.

W. C. WICKER,
JAMES L. FOSTER,
W. G. CLEMENTS,
Committee.

The report adopted.

Recognizing the great need of more universal education in our State, in order to secure a higher type of Christian citizenship, and to advance every good cause that tends to the development of the church, State and Nation, we, the ministers and delegates representing the churches of the Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference, de hereby recommend the appointment of a committee to memorialize the Geenral Assembly of North Carolina, urging the enactment of a law instituting a system of compulsory education in the State.

W. G. CLEMENTS.

On motion, the assessments as now made by the committee on assessments be made the base of apportionment for the College Fund as directed by the General Convention.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

The value of good religious literature in mental and spiritual development cannot be too highly estimated. It is evident that it is essential, not only to the highest culture, but is promotive of religious life We would therefore recommend—

1. That our people be urged to a more general reading of religious literature, such as books, papers, periodicals, magaines, etc.

2. That among the papers the Christian Sun should receive our hearty support. Let every minister make an earnest effort to have the paper sent into every home represented in his congregations.

3. That a special effort be made to induce our people to procure and read more missionary literature. "The Christian Missionary" should be in every home.

4. That the churches of this Conference be urged to take the collection recommended by the General Convention in reference to the Publishing House.

W. D. HARWARD,
W. C. WICKER,
A. P. BARBEE,
Committee.

The report discussed and adopted.

The Committee on Religious Exercises made the following report:

Sunday 11 a. m., preaching by Rev. W. S. Long, D. D.

Conference adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 2 p. m. Conference called to order by the chair.

The following Standing Committees were appointed for 1899:

Executive—Revs. W. G. Clements, J. D. Wicker and J. L. Foster.

Education—Revs. W. C. Wicker, W. G. Clements and J. L. Foster.

Home Missions—Revs. J. D. Wicker, A. P. Barbee and Bro. T. J. Haskins.

Foreign Missions—Revs. G. R. Underwood, W. D. Harward, L. W. Mangum and L. F. Johnson.

Religious Literature—Revs. C. H. Rowland, W. C. Wicker and Herbert Scholz.

Moral Reform—Revs. Herbert Scholz, L. W. Mangum and A. P. Barbee.

Sunday-schools—Prof. J. H. Moring, Bros. J. C. Winston and J. Milton Banks.

MINISTERIAL REPORT.

	NAME.	NAMES OF CHURCHES IN CHARGE.	Number Sermons Preached.	Number Lectures Delivered.	No. Prayer-meetings held.	No. Conversions in Pastoral Charge.	No. Members Received.	No. Persons Baptized.	No. Pastoral Visits Paid.	No. Funerals Services Performed.	No. Marriages Solemnized.	Sundays Not Engaged.	Amount of Salary Received.
1.	Rev. S. B. Klapp	Good Hope, Walnut Grove, Christian Chapel, Christian Light, Plymouth, Pleasant Grove, (J)	142	10	35	62	18	16	125	5	2	----	$-------
2.	Rev. A. B. Barbee	Grace's Chapel, Turner's Chapel, Center Grove, Moore Union, Egypt	150	----	25	57	19	14	100	3	----	----	160 00
3.	Rev. C. H. Rowland	Auburn, New Elam, Mt. Zion	90	----	----	10	4	3	----	5	1	1	140 00
4.	Rev. W. C. Wicker	Graham	100	20	10	2	4	----	220	----	----	1	120 00
5.	Rev. J. D. Wicker	Oak Level, Liberty, Mt. Carmel, Wake Chapel, New Hope, Beulah, Mt. Gilead, Youngsville, Bethel	150	25	----	53	40	33	100	4	----	----	533 00
6.	Rev. G. R. Underwood	Hank's Chapel, Keyser, Shallow Well, Zion	112	10	20	35	30	20	----	11	----	----	400 00
7.	Rev. W. G. Clements	Haye's Chapel, Mt. Hermon, Amelia, Martha's Chapel, New Hill, Ebenezer, Six Forks	145	15	30	35	10	12	144	5	3	----	290 00
8.	Rev. W. D. Harward	Catawba Springs, Shallow Ford, Morrisville, O'Kelly's Chapel	115	----	----	25	20	16	----	3	----	----	275 00
9.	Rev. L. W. Mangum	Pleasant Hill, Pleasant Union	58	4	10	----	9	4	----	3	11	1	59 00
10.	Rev. J. L. Foster	Raleigh, Wentworth	131	----	45	2	22	20	493	4	16	----	444 61
11.	Rev. L. F. Johnson	----------	5	3	2	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	--------
12.	Rev. M. L. Winston	----------	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	--------
13.	Rev. J. A. Whiteman	----------	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	--------

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Foreign Missions is Home Mission extension. The command is to go into all the world and preach the gospel. The promise is, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. I will give you the uttermost parts of the earth for a possession."

Our workers, native and foreign, are reaching with the gospel twenty-five cities and villages, containing an aggregate of two million seven hundred thousand (2,700,000) people.

Revs. A. D. Woodworth, C. Tena, Penrod and Miss Alice True are in the Tokio field. Revs. E. C. Fry and Susie V. Fry are in the Sendai field.

Whole number of missionaries	5
Stations in the two fields	7
Out-stations	18
Organized churches	5
Partly self-supporting	5
Day schools	1
Pupils	40
Night schools	1
Pupils	17
Students for the ministry	5
Ordained native preachers	4
Unordained native preachers	5
Bible women	3
Total native helpers	12
Money contributed	$62.28

We recommend the following, viz.:

1st. That the churches raise the amount asked for by the Assessment Committee.

2d. That each church in this Conference hold a Foreign Mission service during the year 1899.

3d. We recommend the Christian Missionary, published at Dayton, Ohio, by Rev. J. G. Bishop.

4th. That an order be drawn on the Treasurer of this Conference in favor of J. A. Mills, Treasurer of the Southern Christian Convention, for the Foreign Mission fund in the Treasury of this Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

G. R. UNDERWOOD,
W. D. HARWARD,
A. P. BARBEE,
Committee.

The report after discussion was adopted.

By motion, Rev. G. R. Underwood was appointed a committee of one to consult with a like committee from the Western North Carolina Christian Conference, to plan a Mission field in Cuba or Porto Rico.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

1897.			
Nov. 30	To balance on hand		$ 5 44
Dec. 5	To collections at Conference		51 34
1898.			
Nov. 9	To collections since		2 86
Nov. 9	By Commissions at 1½ per cent.	$ 81	
1897.			
Dec. 6	By order Rev. C. H. Rowland, No. 47	20 00	
Dec. 6	By order Rev. L. F. Johnson, No. 48	30 00	
1898.			
Nov. 9	By Commission on two orders	75	
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Nov. 9	Balance on hand		59 64
		$ 59 64	
	Amount of Notes on hand		314 75

SUPERANUATED FUND.

1897.			
Nov. 30	To balance on hand		$ 20 50
Dec. 5	To collections at Conference		18 60
1898.			
Nov. 9	To collections since Conference		50
Nov. 9	By commission 1½ per cent	28	
	Balance on hand	$ 39 32	
		$ 39 60	$ 39 60

PUBLISHING HOUSE.

1897.			
Nov. 30	To balance on hand		$ 1 65
Dec. 5	To collections at Conference		19 50
Nov. 9	By commissions 1½ per cent.	$ 29	
Nov. 9	Balance on hand	20 86	$ 21 15
		$ 21 15	

HOME MISSION.

1897.			
Nov. 30	By overdraw	$ 11 03	
Dec. 5	To collections at Conference		$ 179 81
1898.			
Nov. 9	To collections since Conference		6 50
Nov. 9	By commissions 1½ per cent.	2 79	
1897.			
Dec. 22	By order of Rev. J. L. Foster, No. 49	22 50	
1898.			
Feb. 28	By order of Rev. J. L. Foster, No. 50	22 50	
May 9	By order of Rev. W. G Clements, No. 53	20 00	
May 9	By order of Rev. W. G Clements, No. 54	20 00	
May 20	By order of Rev. M. L Hurley, No. 55	20 00	
May 26	By order of Rev. J. L. Foster, No. 56	22 50	
June 17	By order of Rev J D. Wicker, No. 57	20 00	
Aug. 15	By order of Rev. J. L. Foster, No. 58	22 50	
Nov. 9	By commission on 8 orders 1½ per cent.	2 55	
Nov. 9	Overdrawn		06
		$ 186 37	$ 186 37

FOREIGN MISSION.

1897.			
Nov. 30	To balance on hand		$ 2 11
Dec. 5	To collections at Conference		76 21
1898.			
Nov. 9	To collections since Conference		2 86
Nov. 9	By commissions 1½ per cent	$ 1 18	
Mar. 21	By order of J. A. Mills, No. 51	79 97	
Mar. 21	By commission on order 1½ per cent	1 20	
Nov. 9	Overdrawn		1 17
		$ 82 35	$ 82 35

CONFERENCE FUND.

1897.			
Nov. 30	To balance on hand		$ 2 80
Dec. 5	To collections at Conference		20 99
1898.			
Nov. 9	To collections since Confercence		1 09
Nov. 9	By commissions 1½ per cent	33	
1897.			
Dec 4	By order Rev. J. L. Foster, No. 45	$ 3 23	
Dec. 4	By order Rev. J. L. Foster, No. 46	15 00	
1898.			
Mar. 25	By Order E. L. Mofftt, No	3 00	
Nov. 9	By commission on three orders	31	
Nov. 9	Balance on hand	3 01	
		$ 24 88	$ 24 88

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. BALLINTENE, Treasurer.

Varina, N. C.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We have examined the Secretary's account of $4.34 for postage, church letters and record paper, and find it correct, and recommend that it be paid.

We have also examined the Treasurer's books, and report them correct.

We also recommend the payment of $5.40 to the editor of The Christian Sun for balance due on annuals for 1897.

K. B. JOHNSON,
D. A. MANN.

On motion, it was decided that, if any surplus money remain in the Treasury after the Home Mission appropriations have been provided for such amount shall be added to the appropriation for Raleigh church.

The committee on Annuals reported 400 copies taken.

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be tendered the members and friends of Pleasant Hill Christian Church for their kindness and hospitality to the delegates and friends of this Conference; also the railroads for reduced rates. C.H.STEPHENSON.

The resolution adopted by rising vote.

Moved and carried that the minutes of this session be printed in the Annual.

Rev. J. L. Foster, Secretary of "The Band of Cousins" presented the claims of the Children's Christian Orphanage Fund, and urged a hearty co-operation and endorsement of all the ministers and delegates present.

Moved and carried that a vote of thanks be tendered the officers of this body for their faithful services.

The chair announced that a half hour would be spent in devotional services, and asked Deacon A. Moring to lead, he read the 125 Psalm and offered prayer. Many tender and feeling talks were made, and it was a very happy service indeed.

On motion, Conference adjourned to meet in Sixth Annual Session, with Wentworth Christian church, Wake County, N. C., on Wednesday before the second Sunday in November, 1899. Benediction by Rev. W. S. Long, D. D.

G. R. UNDERWOOD, President,
Osgood, N. C.

JAS. L. FOSTER, Secretary,
Raleigh, N. C.

W. D. HARWARD, Assistant Secretary,
Morrisville, N. C.

CHURCH STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	SECRETARIES AND THEIR POST OFFICES.	No. Reported 1897.	No. Received Since.	No. Dismissed by Letter.	No. Suspended	No. With-drawn.	No. Died.	No. Expelled.	Pres't Memb'r. Nov. 10, '98.
Auburn	C. H. Rowland	William Watts, Auburn	51		4		11			36
Antioch	M. L. Hurley	Mrs. N. J. Harris, Elamas	70	3		2			6	65
Amelia	W. G. Clements	J. E. Austin, Clayton								8
Beulah	J. D. Wicker	J. B. Edwards, Rolesville	73	5		28				50
Bethany										
Bethel	J. D. Wicker	J. S. Phillips, Enno		17						17
Catawba Springs	W. D. Harward	E. B. Morris, Raleigh	96	7	1		1	1		100
Christian Chapel	S. B. Klapp	L. S. Mann, Chalk Level	185	11	1	24		1		170
Christian Light	S. B. Klapp	A. T. Arnold, May	22	2				1		23
Damascus	P. T Klapp	M. A. McCauley, Chapel Hill	105							105
Ebenezer	W. G. Clements	M. J. Carlton, Flint	85	3			2	2	2	82
Good Hope	S. B. Klapp	J. D. Pleasants, Pernell	52	5	2			1	1	55
Hayes' Chapel	W. G. Clements	G. O. Barbee, Garner	115	7	3	31	1	2		85
Liberty	J. D. Wicker	B. R. Eaves, Epsom	183	15			1	2		195
Mount Auburn	M. L. Hurley	S. P. Read, Palmers Springs, Va.	158	2			1	1		158
Morrisville	W. D. Harward	J. H. Moring, Morrisville	35	4	2	4		1		32
Martha's Chapel	W. G. Clements	W. A. Ellington, Elm Grove	39					1	1	37
Mount Carmel	J. D. Wicker	W. J. Wilson, Wilton	50	6						56
Moore Union	A. P. Barbee	N. A. Matthews, Grotto	55				1	1		53
Mount Gilead	J. D. Wicker	W. B. Hunter, Ingleside	20	3		1			1	21
Mount Hermon	W. G. Clements	W. I. Beasley, Auburn	47	2					1	48
New Hill	W. G. Clements	J. R. Gardner, New Hill	33				1	1		31
New Elam	C. H. Rowland	J. A. Goodwin, Merry Oaks	183	4	5		8	1		173
New Hope	J. D. Wicker	B. A. Lambert, Riley's X Roads	88	3	1				4	86

CHURCH STATISTICS—Continued.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	SECRETARIES AND THEIR POST OFFICES.	No Reported 1897.	No. Received Since.	No. Dismissed by Letter.	No. Suspended	No. Withdrawn.	No. Died.	No. Expelled.	Pres't Memb'r. Nov. 10, '98.
Oak Level	J. D. Wicker	A. C. Wicker, Youngsville	120	7	----	----	----	----	----	127
O'Kelley's Chapel	W. D. Harward	J. W. Atkins, William's Mills	95	6	8	1	----	1	----	91
Pope's Chapel	M. L. Hurley	Mrs. A. M. House, Franklinton	116	4	----	----	----	2	9	109
Plymouth	S. B. Klapp	J. W. Rhodes, Kadar	70	----	6	7	----	3	1	53
Pleasant Grove	S. B. Klapp	E. S. Coates, Pratt	16	----	2	----	----	4	----	10
Pleasant Hill	L. W. Mangum	Willie Dixon, Benson	90	5	1	----	----	1	44	49
Pleasant Union	L. W. Mangum	W. J. Long, Bowies' Creek	64	2	----	----	1	----	----	65
Piney Plain	S. B. Klapp	T. H. Prince, Massey	49	----	4	16	2	1	----	26
Raleigh	J. L. Foster	Lee Johnson, Raleigh	62	5	2	18	----	----	----	47
Shallow Well	G. R. Underwood	J. C. Kelley, Jonesboro	173	2	----	10	----	2	----	163
Six Forks	W. G. Clements	Alma Penny, Six Forks	15	----	----	----	----	----	----	15
Spilona	----	R. I. Lassiter, Spilona	28	----	----	----	----	----	----	28
Turner's Chapel	A. P. Barbee	A. W. Wicker, Colon	61	1	----	----	----	3	----	59
Wake Chapel	J. D. Wicker	J. E Ballentine, Varina	218	2	1	----	3	1	4	211
Wentworth	J. L. Foster	C. H. Stevenson, Raleigh	19	5	----	----	----	----	----	24
Walnut Grove	S. B. Klapp	Della Grissom, Grissom	29	----	6	----	1	----	----	22
Youngsville	J D. Wicker	T. L. Moss, Youngsville	28	----	1	3	1	1	----	22

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS 1898 AND

CHURCH.	SUPERINTENDENT OR SECRETARY.	No. Schools.	No. Classes.	No. Officers & Teachers.	No. Pupils.	Total Con'd with S. S.	No. Volumes in Library.	Do You Use Our S. S. Literature.
Auburn	William Watts. Auburn	1	4	--	----	----	----	----
Antioch	C. H. Harris. Elams	1	6	9	40	49	----	Yes
Amelia	J. E. Austin, Clayton	--	--	--	----	----	----	----
Beulah	L. D. Scarbrough, Rolesville	1	5	6	94	100	----	Yes
Bethany	----------	--	--	--	----	----	----	----
Bethel	J. S. Phillips, Enno	--	--	--	----	----	----	----
Catawba Springs	J. G. Langston, Raleigh	1	3	6	75	81	----	Yes
Christian Chapel	A. C. Davis, Peace	1	3	5	80	85	48	Yes
Christian Light	A S. Arnold, May	--	--	--	----	----	----	----
Damascus	I. W. Pritchard, Lindsay	1	5	10	40	50	40	Yes
Ebenezer	N. A. Dillard, Flint	1	4	7	55	62	20	Yes
Good Hope	J. D. Davis, Grissoms	1	3	7	43	50	----	Yes
Hayes' Chapel	G. O. Barbee, Garner	--	--	--	----	----	----	----
Liberty	E. W. Newman, Epsom	1	6	8	60	68	----	No
Mt. Auburn	S. P. Read, Palmer's Springs, Va.	1	6	10	70	80	50	Yes
Mt. Gilead	John Weaver, Molton	1	4	5	24	29	----	No
Mt. Hermon	A. C. Penny, Auburn	1	4	8	52	60	----	Yes
Mt. Carmel	J. W. Mitchel, Franklinton	1	4	7	35	42	75	Yes
Martha's Chapel	H. Mulholland, William's Mills	1	4	7	35	42	25	Yes
Morrisville	J. H. Moring, Morrisville	1	3	5	20	25	50	Yes
Moore Union	B. W. Maddocks, Lonely	1	3	6	35	41	----	Yes
New Hill	J. R. Gardner, New Hill	--	--	--	----	----	----	----
New Hope	J. M. King, Royal	1	5	7	114	118	----	Yes
New Elam	D. A. Mann, Merry Oaks	1	4	13	60	73	40	Yes
Oak Level	J. C. Williams, Youngsville	1	5	10	79	89	200	Yes
O'Kelly's Chapel	C. S. Holloman, William's Mills	1	4	8	52	60	50	Yes
Pope's Chapel	Mrs. A. M. House, Franklinton	--	--	--	----	----	----	----
Plymouth	J. W Rhodes, Kadar	--	--	--	----	----	----	----
Pleasant Grove	E. S. Coates, Pratt	--	--	--	----	----	----	----
Pleasant Hill	Willie Dixon, Benson	1	3	5	25	30	----	No
Pleasant Union	W. J. Long, Bowie's Creek	--	--	--	----	----	----	----
Piney Plain	T. H. Prince, Massy	1	3	5	25	30	----	No
Raleigh	J. A. Mills, Raleigh	1	6	11	111	122	103	Yes
Shallow Well	J. B. Watson, Jonesboro	1	7	11	89	100	----	Yes
Six Forks	J. H. Fleming, Six Forks	--	--	--	----	----	----	----
Spilona	----------	--	--	--	----	----	----	----
Turner's Chapel	A. W. Wicker, Colon	1	5	7	40	47	----	Yes
Wake Chapel	Jas. W. Powell, Ballentine's Mills	1	3	6	40	46	----	Yes
Wentworth	J. M. Banks, Raleigh	1	4	6	98	104	----	Yes
Walnut Grove	Della F. Grissom	--	--	--	----	----	----	----
Youngsville	J. C. Winston, Youngsville	1	3	6	42	48	6	Yes

FINANCIAL STATISTICS 1898.

Total Paid by S. S.	Paid Pastor.	Paid Home Missions.	Paid Foreign Missions.	Paid Education.	Paid Conference Fund.	Paid Superannuated Fund.	Paid Other Purposes.	Total Paid 1898.	Value Church Property.
------	$53 76	$ 3 22	------	------	------	------	------	------	$ 700 00
$ 2 00	50 00	4 00	$ 1 50	$ 1 00	$ 50	$ 50	------	$ 57 50	$ 500 00
------	10 00	1 00	50	50	25	25	$ 200 00	212 50	300 00
5 00	50 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	50	1 00	1 00	60 50	500 00
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------	------	50	18	------	17	------	------	85	300 00
4 00	100 00	------	5 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	8 00	118 00	500 00
5 50	75 00	5 61	4 00	------	1 00	45	10 00	96 06	1000 00
------	19 20	1 20	1 00	------	50	50	------	22 40	800 00
8 83	125 00	15 00	7 00	4 00	1 00	1 00	17 00	170 00	1500 00
3 60	50 00	6 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	50	5 00	65 50	300 00
4 00	65 00	4 00	2 00	2 00	80	50	10 00	84 30	300 00
------	50 00	1 00	34	------	1 00	------	200 00	252 34	800 00
14 00	102 50	12 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	2 00	100 00	229 75	1000 00
6 50	150 00	20 00	8 00	8 00	2 00	2 00	------	190 00	1000 00
1 50	20 00	50	25	50	20	------	------	21 45	500 00
4 50	35 00	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	500 00
2 00	24 50	2 00	50	50	25	40	------	28 15	300 00
5 00	66 00	2 00	1 25	------	75	------	------	70 00	1000 00
13 00	60 00	5 00	3 00	2 00	40	50	5 00	75 90	500 00
1 75	40 00	4 00	3 00	2 00	55	50	------	50 05	300 00
------	10 00	1 00	50	50	40	50	3 00	15 90	500 00
9 27	50 00	4 00	2 00	2 00	70	50	4 00	63 70	400 00
12 00	75 00	7 00	4 00	1 35	50	50	22 50	110 55	1000 00
12 00	125 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	1 30	2 00	------	148 80	800 00
5 00	56 00	10 00	5 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	------	75 00	700 00
------	102 92	10 00	3 00	------	1 00	1 00	------	117 92	1500 00
------	40 00	5 00	25	------	75	------	12 50	58 50	700 00
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1 50	25 00	45	------	------	50	50	25 00	51 45	400 00
------	25 00	3 00	27	9	60	50	------	29 37	400 00
------	28 35	1 35	30	------	30	25	------	30 89	400 00
69 85	259 61	12 00	4 00	3 00	75	1 00	80 57	362 64	7000 00
11 76	125 00	4 04	5 00	1 26	55	75	51 00	188 60	800 00
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3 00	50 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	50	------	56 00	600 00
2 37	100 00	13 00	6 00	5 00	2 00	1 00	10 00	138 05	800 00
9 81	75 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	50	525 00	606 55	525 00
------	20 00	4 00	1 00	50	25	50	5 00	31 25	300 00
8 55	35 00	3 00	1 00	------	22	50	50 00	89 72	1200 00

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

WESTERN N. C. CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE,

HELD AT

CENTRE GROVE CHURCH.

Centre Grove Church,
Chatham Co., N. C., Nov. 15th, 1898.

The Western North Carolina Christian Conference met here today at 11 o'clock a. m., in its fifth annual session, and was called to order by Rev. J. R. Comer, the President of the last session, Rev. J. H. Fleming conducted the opening religious services. The regular secretary being absent, Jno. T. Moffitt was chosen as secretary pro tem.

The following elders responded to roll call: Revs. J. R. Comer, P. H. Fleming, J. W. Hatch, E. H. Jarrell, J. U. Newman, J. W. Parker, C. C. Peel, J. S. Lawrence, H. A. Albright, W. H. Roach.

Elders absent: Revs. C. A. Boon, A. J. Cooper, W. W. Lawrence, H. T. Moffitt, J. W. Patton, J. A. Scott, S. H. Way, P. T. Way and J. A. Webster.

The roll of chnrches was called with the following responses:

Antioch—(R.) J. W. Brady.
Asheboro—J. T. Moffitt.
Antioch—(C.) Eddie Oldham.
Burlington—Capt. J. A. Turrentine.
Center Grove—C. A. Bland, J. W. Thomas.
Grace Chapel—J. H. Phillips.

Hank's Chapel—W. S. Petty, W. O. Farrell.
Liberty—O. T. Hatch.
New Centre—T. W. Lawrence.
New Providence—J. M. Turner.
Pleasant Union—W. R. Harris.
Pleasant Grove—E. A. Moffitt, Jr., W. W. Brown.
Poplar Branch—B. F. Hunt.
Pleasant Ridge—Bethel Cox, J. C. Craven.
Phillips' Chapel—M. E. Hammer.
Shiloh—S. T. Moffitt, E. H. Bean.
Spoon's Chapel—J. C. Wright, W. H. McPherson.
Shady Grove—Hiram Freeman.
St. John's—J. W. Holder, A. L. Robbins.
Macedonia—J. H. Wright.
Zion—J. A. Kelly, W. J. Johnson.
Ramseur—B. O. Scott, Quinnie Melton.

Churches not responding to roll call:

Brown's Chapel, Big Oak, Christian Union, Egypt, Graham, High Point, Mt. Union, Park's X Roads, Patterson's Grove, Pleasant Hill, Smithwood, Union Grove, Keyser, Clover Orchard.

A quorum being present Conference was permanently organized as follows:

President—Rev. P. H. Fleming.

At this point the President read a letter from P. T. Way, the Secretary, stating that he could not be present, and asking that a Secretary pro tem be elected. Upon motion the office of standing Secretary was declared vacant and Jno. T. Moffitt was elected as his successor.

As some names of churches were omitted from last year's minutes without cause, the Secretary was ordered to properly enroll them.

On motion Revs. M. L. Hurley, of the Eastern Virginia Conference, A. P. Barbee, of the Eastern North Carolina Conference, Prof. E. L. Moffitt, editor of the Christian Sun, and all the licentiates of this Conference were invited to seats as deliberative members. These brethren accepted with appropriate remarks.

The hour for the annual address having arrived, upon motion it was decided that the said address be postponed till tomorrow (Wednesday) at eleven o'clock a. m.

Rev. J. R. Comer, and Bro. W. S. Petty were on motion of Rev. C. C. Peel added to the committee on Foreign Missions.

Revs. J. H. Wright and C. C. Peel were added to the Committee on Religious Literature.

W. O. Farrell, C. A. Bland and Rev. J. S. Lawrence were appointed committee on Finance.

Upon motion of Rev. J. W. Hatch, it was decided to institute a "Banner List," and all churches having paid their pastor's salary and all Conference assessments in full, shall be placed upon said list, and their names so designated in the Annual.

On motion a tabulating committee was appointed consisting of Revs. J. H. Wright, C. C. Peel, and Jas. A. Turner.

Prof. E. L. Moffitt who was appointed to purchase a seal for the Western North Carolina Conference, made his report, presented account for same, which was referred to the committee on Finance.

The pastor, Rev. A. P. Barbee, having arrived, delivered in a few appropriate remarks, an address of welcome. Rev. J. U. Newman fitly responded on behalf of the Conference.

On motion Conference then adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At two o'clock p. m. Conference re-assembled for business. Prayer by Rev. J. W. Hatch.

On motion Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., of Eastern Virginia Conference, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member. He also bore the fraternal greetings of the Eastern Virginia Conference.

Executive Committee made the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We, your committee, beg leave to report that during the year we have had but one matter presented for our consideration, namely, the application of Rev. W .H. Roach, of the M. E. Church, for membership in our Conference as an elder. We considered the same and received him as an elder, subject to the approval or rejection of this body now in session.

H. A. ALBRIGHT,
P. H. FLEMNG,
Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

J. A. TURRENTINE, Treasurer.

1897.			
Nov. 14	To balance from last year		$ 103 89
Nov. 14	To collection at Conference 1897		198 23
	To balance on hand November, 1897		$ 302 12
	By amount paid out	$ 218 82	
	To balance on hand		$ 83 30

HOME MISSIONS.

1897.			
Nov. 18	To balance from last year		$ 175 11
	By cash to W. C. Wicker	$ 6 25	
	W. T. Herndon	10 00	
Dec. 8	E. L. Moffitt (bal. on Annuals)	16 50	
1898.			
Feb. 25	W. C. Wicker	6 25	
May 12	M. L. Hurly	20 00	
May 24	W. C. Wicker	6 25	
June 4	G. R. Underwood	12 50	
Nov. 2	J. U. Newman	25 00	
			$ 102 75
Nov. 15	To balance on hand		$ 72 36

FOREIGN MISSIONS

1897.			
Nov. 18	Amount on hand	$ 73 57	
1898.			
Feb. 12	By cash to J. A. Mills		$ 73 57

EDUCATION FUND.

1897.			
Nov. 18	To amount on hand	$ 32 36	
			$ 32 36
Nov. 24	Paid T. E. White—took his note		25 00
	To balance on hand		$ 7 36

CONTINGENT FUND.

1897.			
Nov. 18	To amount on hand		$ 20 93
	By cash paid J. A. Turrentine	45	
	By P. T. Way	$ 2 00	
	By P. T. Way	5 00	
	By P. T. Way	2 00	
	By P. T. Way	5 00	
	By P. T. Way	3 50	
			$ 17 95
	To balance on hand		$ 2 98

PUBLISHING HOUSE FUND.

To amount received and still on hand		60
I hold the following notes:		
L. I. Cox	$ 25 00	
Henry H. Casady	35 00	
L. I. Cox	25 00	
W. D. Harward	35 00	
I. R. Corner	22 00	
T. E. White	25 00	
	$ 167 00	

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. TURRENTINE, Treasurer.

November 16, 1898.

The church letters were called for and read before Conference.

Bro. O. T. Hatch was appointed to receive money for the Annuals.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the church letters shall hereafter include the name of the pastor engaged for the ensuing year.

C. C. PEEL,
J. H. WRIGHT.

After prayer by Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., Conference adjourned until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

SECOND DAY'S SESSION.

Conference was called to order by its President, Rev. P. H. Fleming.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. J. H. Wright.

Ministerial reports were called for and the following Elders and Licentiates handed in their reports which were read. Revs. J. W. Hatch, P. H. Fleming, C. C. Peel, J. U. Newman, M. A. Baldwin, M. E. Hammer, L. I. Cox.

Upon motion it was decided that we now go into the selection of a place to hold our next Conference session. There were placed in nomination the following churches:

Graham, Liberty, Pleasant Grove, Shady Grove; and Liberty having received the largest number of votes, Rev. C. C. Peel moved, that Liberty be chosen by acclamation, which motion was carried.

At this point the Secretary having arrived read the minutes of the preceding day which were approved.

The Committee on Foreign Missions made the following report:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Dear Brethren: Our work in Japan shows a moderate but steady increase, with 5 organized churches, 7 stations, 18 out-stations, 330 members, 13 Sunday-schools, with 469 members. This work appeals to us for enlarged support, as its dmands increase, while Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines, with other islands and continental territory, are ready for and inviting our efforts. Let us come up to the measure of our duty and thus obtain the approval of an ever merciful Heavenly Father.

We therefore recommend the following:

1. That we make the work of Foreign Missions the subject of prayer and support.
2. That our people procure and read our literature on missions.
3. That each church belonging to this Conference set apart one service as a "Mission Service," with suitable exercises.
4. That each church raise an amount of not less than ten cents per member for Foreign Missions during the coming year.
5. That the Secretary of the body draw an order on our Treasurer in favor of J. A. Mills, Raleigh, N. C., Treasurer of S. C. C., for amount in hand for Foreign Missions at this sitting of Conference.

C. C. PEEL,
J. R. COMER,
WM. S. PETTY,
Committee.

Ably discussed by Revs. C. C. Peel, W. S. Long, D. D., J. U. Newman, P. H. Fleming, and was adopted.

Rev. C. C. Peel offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That we appoint a committee from this body to co-operate with like committees from other Conferences looking to inaugurating the work of the Christian Church in Cuba and Porto Rico.

And was adopted after some discussion, and the following committee was appointed: Revs. P. H. Fleming, C. C. Peel and J. U. Newman.

Upon motion of Rev. J. U. Newman a committee on apportionment was appointed consisting of the chairmen of the various standing committees, making assessments who are: C. C. Peel, J. U. Newman, and P. H. Fleming.

Committee on Religious Literature made the following report:

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Recognizing the fact that it is through its literature, in a great measure, that a church makes itself known and felt as a religious factor, and that it is only by continual reading of our literature that our members can keep informed as to the work and needs of the church, we recommend—

1. That each minister and delegate in this Conference take The Christian Sun, and do all in his power to get it into every home represented in his church.

2. That hereafter the church letters show the number of families in the church, and the number taking The Chistian Sun.

3. That we do all in our power to encourage the making and reading of such books and tracts as are promotive of our principles and its enterprises.

4. That all who can do so, in addition to The Christian Sun, take The Herald of Gospel Liberty and The Christian Missionary.

5. That all our schools use our own Sunday-school literature.

E. L. MOFFITT,
J. H. WRIGHT,
C. C. PEEL.

And was adopted after discussion by E. L. Moffitt, Revs. J. U. Newman, C. C. Peel, L. I. Cox, A, P, Barbee, W. S. Long, D. D.

Upon motion Conference adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.—SECOND DAY.

Conference called to order by President P. H. Fleming. Prayer by Rev. J. S. Lawrence.

Committee on Education submitted the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

1. Your committee selected and published in The Christian Sun a list of text-books for the use of those pursuing the course of study prescribed for candidates for orders.

2. That each church take an annual collection as a loan fund for worthy young men preparing for the ministry of the Christian Church.

The following have been aided, as per notes in the hands of the Treasurer; L. I. Cox, $50; H. H. Cassaday, $35; W. D. Harward, $35; J. R. Comer, $22; T. E. White, $25. Total, $167.

3. That this Conference assume the apportionment of two hundred and fifty dollars ($250) requested by our last Bienial Convention to liquidate the debt of Elon College, and that the following apportionments be made: Antioch, (R.), $2; Asheboro, $10; Antioch (C.), $5; Brown's Chapel, $5; Big Oak, $5; Burlington, $25; Christian Union, $4; Clover Orchard, $5; Centre Grove, $5; Egypt, $3; Graham, $10; Grace's Chapel, $5; High Point, $2; Hanks' Chapel, $15; Keyser, $5; Liberty, $4; Macedonia, $2; Mt. Pleasant, $1; Mt. Union, $4; New Centre, $5; New Providence, $15; Parks' Cross Roads, $15; Pleasant Grove, $12; Patterson's Grove, $3; Pleasant Cross, $1; Pleasant Ridge, $6; Pleasant Union, $2; Pleasant Hill, $10; Poplar Branch, $5; Phillips' Chapel, $2; Shiloh, $10; Smithwood, $5; Spoon's Chapel, $3; Shady Grove, $5; St. John's, $5; Union Grove, $7; Zion, $15; Ramseur, $5; Winder, $1.

4. Bro. T. E. White is doing well at Elon College. We recommend that Conference loan him twenty-five dollars.

Bros. A. D. Hamilton, H. F. Way, R. F. Johnson and Licentiates W. N. Hayes, D. R. Stinson, W. R. Julian and Henry Vuncannon failed to report.

Licentiates J. H. Wright, M. A. Baldwin and B. F. Kearns will continue their studies under the direction of your committee.

Bro. E. A. Moffit, Jr., was admitted into the Biblical Class, and expects to enter Elon College after Christmas.

We recommend the ordination of Licentiates M. E. Hammer and L. I. Cox.

J. U. NEWMAN,
C. C. PEEL,
J. S. LAWRENCE,
H. A. ALBRIGHT,
P. H. FLEMING.

Report was read and adopted. The subject of Education was discussed very ably by Rev. W. S. Long, Rev. J. U. Newman and others.

Letters from Centre Grove and Hanks' Chapel were handed in and read.

An account in favor of E. L. Moffitt for $1.00 for church letters was presented and referred to the finance committee. Account of Rev. P. T. Way for $3.50 presented and referred to finance committee also.

Upon motion the President of the Conference was instructed to write to Rev. P. T. Way the former Secretary of the action of this Conference, and instruct him to turn over all books, papers, &c., to Jno. T. Moffitt, Secretary.

J. H. Wright and J. W. Parker handed in Ministerial reports which were read.

Upon motion it was decided to go into the election of a suitable person to deliver the next annual address, and Rev. P. H. Fleming was chosen to deliver said address, and Rev. L. I. Cox was chosen as alternate.

Twelve o'clock tomorrow (Thursday) was made special order for the ordination of L. I. Cox and M. E. Hammer. The President appointed Revs. W. S. Long, C. C. Peel, and J. U. Newman as ordaining Presbytery, and Revs. J. S. Lawrence and H. A. Albright to conduct candidates for ordination.

Committee on Finance made their report which was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, your Finance Committee, report that we have examined the Treasurer's report, together with the books and vouchers, and find them correct.

We also recommend the payment of $4 for Conference seal purchased by E. L. Moffitt.

We find on the Treasurer's books a certain note due the Conference, and, after examining the correspondence with the Treasurer and parties, we find that he has carefully endeavored to collect the amounts.

We also recommend the payment of $1 to E. L. Moffitt for church letters.

We also recommend the payment of 50 cents to J. A. Turrentine for stamps and stationery, etc.

We recommend that Bro. P. T. Way send an itemized statement of his account to the Executive Committee.

W. O. FARRELL,
J. S. LAWRENCE,
Committee.

Prof. E. L. Moffitt was elected fraternal messenger to Valley Virginia Christian Conference.

Dr. J. U. Newman and C. C. Peel to the Eastern Virginia Conference.

Rev. L. I. Cox to the North Carolina and Virginia Conference.

Prof. E. L. Moffitt to Georgia and Alabama Conference.

Revs. J. W. Parker, P. H. Fleming, J. S. Lawrence and W. H. Roach to Eastern North Carolina Conference

O. T. Hatch was elected as a fraternal messenger to the Methodist Protestant Conference which is to meet at Liberty next week.

The closing devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. H. A. Albright after which Conference adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

THIRD DAY.—MORNING SESSION.

Called to order by President. Rev. P. H. Fleming.

Devotional exercises by Rev. M. A. Baldwin. Minutes read, corrected and approved.

Upon motion of Dr. J. U. Newman a special committee of three was appointed to report at this session as to whether Rev. E. H. Jarrell is a member of this Conference, the President appointed Rev. J. U. Newman, J. S. Lawrence, H. A. Albright.

On motion it was decided that next Conference meet on Tuesday and close on Friday.

On motion the chair appointed H. A. Albright, C. C. Peel and L. I. Cox, a committee on program and instructed to set apart one hour each doy for religious services and select ministers to conduct said services.

Committee on Moral Reform made the following report which was adopted:

REPORT ON MORAL REFORM.

Recognizing the need of a higher christianity, we should seek for that purity of life which shall, by example as well as by precept, redeem our people from all sinful and injurious habits, we suggest that the Conference adopt the following:

1. That we urge our people to abstain from the use of all intoxicants as a beverage, in drinking, making, buying, selling or giving away, or to aid the liquor traffic in any shape or form.

2. We enter our protest against Sabbath desecration by the nation or by individuals; against dancing, card playing, cheating, defrauding or unchristian conversation.

3. We recommend the use of unfermented wine in the celebration of the Lord's Supper.

L. I. COX,
H. A. ALBRIGHT,
Committee.

The hour for special services—the ordaining of Revs. L. I. Cox and M. E. Hammer—now having arrived, the Presbytery appointed to that work proceeded to their duty and the candidates were ordained in the usual way. The charge was delivered by Rev. W. S. Long, D. D.

Conference adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.—THIRD DAY.

Conference called to order by President.

Prayer was offered by Rev. J. W. Hatch.

The President announced the following committees:

Executive Committee—H. A. Albright, C. C. Peel, H. T. Moffitt.

Education—Dr. J. U. Newman, C. C. Peel, J. S. Lawrence and P. H. Fleming.

Home Missions—J. W. Patton, M. E. Hammer, James M. Turner.

Foreign Missions—C. C. Peel, W. W. Lawrence, S. M. Holt.

Religious Literature—E. L. Moffitt, P. T. Way, J. W. Parker.

Sunday Schools—J. R. Comer, L. E. Brady, and J. A. Webster.

Moral Reform—L. I. Cox, S. H. Way, W. S. Petty.

Apportionment—Dr. J. U. Newman, J. W. Patton and C. C. Peel.

Upon motion Rev. G. R. Underwood was invited to a seat as deliberative member.

Upon motion Rev. P. H. Fleming was added to the Committee on Education.

The name of Mount Pleasant having, for some time,

been omitted from roll of churches, the Secretary was ordered to properly enroll said church.

The committee appointed to ascertain whether or not the name of Rev. E. H. Jarrell was entitled to remain on our roll of Elders, make the following report:

It is the sense of this committee that Rev. E. H. Jarrell is not a member of the Christian Church, and we recommend his name be dropped from the roll of ministers.

J. U. NEWMAN,
H. A. ALBRIGHT,
J. S. LAWRENCE.

Report of Home Mission Committee was adopted:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

We feel the need of more funds with which to prosecute the Home Missionary work within our bounds. A number of inviting fields present themselves for our occupancy, but the work has not been undertaken because of the lack of money with which to do so.

The work at the points where help was voted at last session is reported in good condition, and amounts have been ordered paid.

The work at High Point shows evidences of promise without help from this committee.

We recommend that the Executive Committee look after the church property at Winder, Mt. Pleasant and Staley.

We recommend the appropriation of $25 to assist in the work at Graham, with Rev. W. C. Wicker in charge; of $10 to assist in the work at Poplar Banch, with Rev. A. P. Barbee in charge; of $25 to assist in the work at Ramseur, provided the pastor in charge shall be approved by the Home Mission Committee; pastors at said points to report to the chairman of the Home Mission Committee quarterly; and, when such reports are approved, to receive appropriations semi-annually.

We recommend that the churches raise the following amounts for the coming year:

Antioch (R.), $2; Asheboro, $4; Antioch (C.), $6; Brown's Chapel, $8; Big Oak, $5; Burlington, $25; Christian Union, $2; Centre Grove, $4; Egypt, $2; Graham, $5; Grace Chapel, $3; High Point, $3; Hanks' Chapel, $10; Liberty, $4; Mt. Pleasant, $1; Mt. Union, $3; New Centre, $5; New Providence, $15; Parks' Cross Roads, $8; Patterson's Grove, $5 Pleasant Union, $5; Pleasant Grove, $10; Pleasant Cross, $2; Pleasant Ridge, $3; Pleasant Hill, $10; Philips' Chapel, $2; Shiloh, $8; Spoon's Chapel, $2; Smithwood, $5; Shady Grove, $5; St. John's, $6; Ramseur, $3; Union Grove, $5; Macedonia, $1; Zion, $10; Keyser, $1; Clover Orchard, $2; Poplar Branch, $2; Winder, $1.

We recommend that the Home Mission Committee endeavor to supply unsupplied churches with pastors when notified by such churches.

We wish to call the attention of this body to the fact that $16.50 of the money borrowed at our last session is still due this fund. Your committee has need of this money and wish the fund reimbursed.

P. H. FLEMING,
J. S. LAWRENCE,
C. C. PEEL.

Capt. J. A. Turrentine offered the following Resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be tendered the pastor, members and friends of Centre Grove Church for the kind and hospitable entertainment extended to us.

(Signed) J. A. TURRENTINE.

Sunday School Committee make the following report:

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

From the best information we have at this time, the most of the churches in the bounds of this Conference have a Sunday-school, run a part or all the year. Some of the churches manifest a living interest while others have not given it much attention.

The Annual Sunday-school Convention met at Parks' Cross Roads July 29, and was considered a decided success by all present. Therefore, be it

Resolved 1, That every church not having a Sunday-school now, organize one at once.

2. That all ministers and churches in the bounds of this Conference give the Convention which meets at Union Grove, Randolph county, N. C., Friday before the last Sunday in July, 1899, their hearty support.

3. That we use our own literature, published at Dayton, Ohio.

4. That collections be taken every Sunday.

J. R. COMER,
J. W. PARKER,
C. A. BLAND,
Committee.

The report was ably discussed by Revs. C. C. Peel, W. S. Long, J. H. Wright and others.

Report of Committee on Apportionment was made and referred to Tabulating Committee.

The Tabulating Committee made their report which is found at the end of these minutes.

The chairman of Tabulating Committee was empowered to write to the churches not reporting in order that he might get such information as will be necessary to make a correct table.

On motion it is ordered by Conference that the $9.40 due this Conference on Annuals be credited to this year's purchases and the balance, not having been subscribed, be sent to the ministers on sale; and they to return to the next session of this body, the amount collected therefor, which amount to be credited to the Home Mission fund.

The amounts which were returned to this Conference for sale of Annuals, were ordered upon motion to be placed to credit of Home Mission fund.

Upon motion it was decided that this Conference have the minutes printed in the Annual as usual.

Upon motion the Secretary is allowed $5.00 for services. which amount he donaed to the Home Mission fund with fequest that this amount be loaned for the purchase of Annuals, and the proceeds from sale of said Annuals be paid back into the hands of the Treasurer to the credit of Home Mission fund.

The Committee on Annuals makes report that they have secured subscription for 400 Annuals, the necessary number.

By personal subscription the $10.00 necessary for a membership to the Christian Missionary Association was raised that we may retain the membership in the name of the Conference, and Bro. E. L. Moffitt is elected to represent the Conference at the meeting of the Association at Berea, Nansemond.

Upon motion Conference adjourned to meet at Liberty, N. C., on Tuesday before the third Sunday in November, 1899.

Closing religious exercises were conducted by Rev. W. S. Long, D. D.

P. H. FLEMING,
President.

JNO. T. MOFFITT,
Secretary.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	SECRETARIES AND POST OFFICES.	Last Report.	R'c'v'd Since	Dismissed.	Withdrawn.	Died.	Suspended.	Present Membership	Paid Pastor.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Superannuated Fund.	Conference.	Convention.	Other Purposes.	Totals.	Value of Church Property.	No. in Sunday School.	Am't Raised by Sunday School.
Antioch (R)	M. E. Hammer	Fannie Oldham, Goldston	83	3	1		4		81	$22 50	$ 72	$ 72	$	$	$ 81	$	$	$28 65	$ 200 00	50	$ 3 90
Antioch (C)	M. E. Hammer	W. W. Brady, Cheeks	32						32	17 00	1 35	1 50						19 65	400 00	35	
Asheboro	J. R. Newman	T. J. Moffit, Asheboro	29			1			28	100 00	6 00	3 50					75 00	184 50	2000 00	47	20 00
Big Oak	J. U. Conner											2 28									
Brown's Chapel																		2 28			
Burlington	P. H. Fleming	I. N. Walker, Burlington	172	12	4				180	485 32	25 00	18 00	7 00		1 50		298 27	835 09	6000 00	165	128 26
Center Grove	A. P. Barbee	R. L. White, Rosewood	42	1					43	40 00	1 72	3 40	50					46 05	750 00	45	1 57
Christian Union	J. R. Comer	W. Cagle, Why Not	85	2		3	3	7	74	10 00	1 30	1 47			43			12 77	200 00	31	
Clover Orchard																					
Egypt																					
Graham	W. C. Wicker	J. D. Kernodle, Graham	25	4					29	120 00	5 00	1 56	1 00		1 00		300 00	428 56	1800 00	54	
Grace Chapel	A. P. Barbee	L. A. Spivy, Lemon Springs	90	9		1		19	81	50 00	3 00	3 00		55	81			58 36	600 00	64	4 00
Hanks Chapel	G. R. Underwood	Artemus Hatch, Pittsboro	143		1		3		139	100 00	1 70	2 30	1 00		90			105 90	1000 00	71	7 25
High Point																					
Reyser	G. R. Underwood	P. J. Harris, Keyser	21						21										250 00	42	
Liberty	M. L. Hurley	Carrie C. Hatch, Liberty	29	4					33	40 00	2 30	2 30			22		10 00	54 82	500 00	30	7 00
Macedonia		Levi Tucker, Asheboro	15	1					16												
Mt. Pleasant		J. A. Wright, Everness																			
Mt. Union																					
New Centre	M. E. Hammer	E. E. McNeil, Why Not	77	18		2	1	23	72	31 70	2 67	2 67			30		1 50	38 84	400 00	65	3 50
New Providence	B. F. Black	J. M. Turner, Graham	107		4	4	4		99	131 00	15 00	5 06	5 00		2 00			158 00	3000 00	35	14 00
Parks X Roads	J. W. Parker	R. W. York, Kill Dee	111	1					112	62 85		1 46						64 31	1500 00		
Pattersons Grove	J. W. Parker	J. A. Ellison, Franklinville.	41	11					52	23 86									6000 00	192	5 00
Pleasant Grove	M. E. Hammer	Alfred L. Brady, Cheeks	244	35	1	2	2		274	53 00	2 15	2 45	10		05			57 75	900 00		
Pleasant Cross	J. W. Parker	J. A. Henson, Cedar Falls	32	5					37	20 00								20 00	300 00	70	12 00
Pleasant Ridge	J. W. Parker	W. E. Allred, Ramseur	122	6	1		1		126	40 00		50						40 50	800 00	80	
Pleasant Hill	M. L. Hurley	D. H. Allbright, Sandy Cross	133	2		1	1		133	70 60	3 00	1 50					5 50	80 60	1000 00	70	12 00
Pleasant Union	J. W. Parker	W. R. Harris, Jackson Cr'k.	30	23			3		50	15 00								15 00	500 00	50	
Poplar Branch																					
Phillips Chapel		D. W. Cox, Harpers X Roads	28						28												
Ramseur	M. L. Hurley	T. A. Moffitt, Ramseur	34				1	13	20	30 95		3 00					2 60	36 55	800 00	40	8 00
Shady Grove	J. R. Comer	Hiram Freeman, Ether	91	1			1	1	90	42 75	1 55	1 23	1 84					47 17	1000 00	91	3 00
Shiloh	J. R. Comer	B. S. Moffitt, Moffitt	146		2			90	53	34 00	3 25	2 25					60 50	100 35	500 00	46	2 50
Smithwood	L. I. Cox	P. D. Reitzel, Liberty	64	6		2	7	10	57	50 00	2 09	2 76	2 00		57		8 00	66 32	500 00	65	5 17
Spoons Chapel	B. F. erns	G. H. Kinney, Asheboro	38						38	20 00		1 00	1 00				1 00	22 00	200 00	70	1 28
St. John	J. W. Parker	Geo. Lawrence, Randleman	113	31			2	1	141	80 11	2 00	2 00	1 00				86 50	171 61	800 00	150	23 25
Union Grove	J. S. Lawrence	J. N. Cagle, Browns	83			2		3	78	40 00										66	3 50
Winder																					
Zion	G. R. Underwood	J. A. Kelly, Osgood	202	4	3		4	6	193	75 00	1 00	1 00			50			77 50	800 00	105	5 00

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

	Number of Churches.	Sermons.	Addresses or Lectures.	Prayer meetings held.	Conversions in Pastoral Charges.	Members Received.	Baptisms.	Pastoral Visits.	Funerals Conducted.	Marriages Solemnized.	Sundays Not Engaged.	Amount of Salary.
J. U. Newman	2	50	10	25	20	4	2	1 50	3	--	1	$ 150 00
P. H. Fleming	1	1 19	1	46	----	12	--	4 41	10	12	--	500 00
C. C. Peel	3	1 60	10	25	20	10	6	3 50	2	1	--	400 00
L. T. Cox	6	97	10	--	60	39	--	1 91	2	--	--	350 00
M. E. Hammer	4	1 18	8	--	72	57	19	----	5	--	--	131 70
J. W. Parker	6	2 03	--	95	1 85	97	52	7 00	16	11	--	283 85
J. H. Wright	1	47	10	20	----	--	--	60	2	--	3	35 00
M. A. Baldwin	--	53	--	--	----	--	--	----	--	--	--	--------
J. R. Comer	4	85	--	--	12	8	--	----	2	1	--	107 00
H. A. Albright	No. Charge				----	--	--	----	--	--	--	--------
J. W. Hatch	No. Charge				----	--	--	----	--	--	--	--------

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

SEVENTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

N.C. AND VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE,

HELD AT

HEBRON CHURCH, MECKLENBURG CO., VA.

FIRST DAY.—NOV. 22nd, 1898.

The North Carolina and Virginia Conference was called to order with above named church at 10 a. m. today by Rev. P. T. Klapp, who conducted the opening Religious exercises.

The following Elders were enrolled: Revs. Sol. Apple, J. O. Atkinson, J. W. Holt, P. T. Klapp, T. W. Strowd, J. W. Wellons, T. B. Dawson.

Licentiates enrolled: J. S. Carden, G. W. Tickle.

Lay delegates enrolled:

Apple's Chapel—No delegate.

Bethlehem—J. U. Sutton, J. D. Simpson, David Michael, F. A. Kernodle.

Bethel—L. M. Pettigrew.

Belew's Creek—A. J. Linville.

Big Falls—No Delegate.

Concord—Daniel Garrison.

Durham—R. D. Netherly.

Elon College—S. A. Holleman, N. F. Brannock.

Goshen Chapel—F. M. Dixon, Mrs. Pattie Slaughter.

Hines' Chapel—No Delegate.

Haw River—H. V. Simpson.

Happy Home—W. H. Davis.
Hebron—J. H. Yancey, W. A. Williamson.
Howard's Chapel—J. W. Fagg, E. M. Gunn.
Ingram—J. W. Carlton.
Kallam Grove—J. H. McBride.
Lebanon—W. L. Taylor, W. F. Davis.
Lexington—No Delegate.
Long's Chapel—H. C. King.
New Lebanon—F. F. Sharp.
Mt. Bethel—J. M. Simpson, P. S. Dixon.
Mt. Zion—No Delegate.
Pleasant Grove—J. D. Clardy, O. Farmer, O. S. Boyd.
Pleasant Ridge—No delegate.
Salem Chapel—No Delegate.
Sage Garden—No Delegate.
Shallow Ford—Jno. T. Cobb.
South Boston—J. A. Reese.
Union, N. C.—G. R. Graham, Will Graham.
Union, Va.—J. H. Overby, L. L. Elliott.

Rev. J. O. Atkinson was elected President and Walter L Taylor was chosen Assistant Secretary.

The annual sermon was then delivered by Rev. J. O. Atkinson as alternate to Rev. W. T. Herndon, his principal, who was absent. Text, Gen. 32: 1.

On motion Revs. W. S. Long, J. W. Patton, S. B. Klapp, L. I. Cox and Prof. E. L. Moffitt were invited to seats in Conference as deliberative members.

On motion the annual sermon was requested for publication in the Sun.

Vacancies in Standing Committees were filled as follows:

Religious Literature—J. T. Cobb, S. A. Holleman.
Sunday Schools—N. F. Brannock.

Conference adjourned for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President.

On motion the name of Bason church was changed to New Lebanon.

Report of the Executive committee was received and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your Executive Committee have transacted the following items of business since last session of Conference:

1. The matter of publishing minutes of last Conference being referred to us, suitable arrangements were made with the editor of the Christian Sun for publishing said minutes in the Annual without additional cost to the Conference. (December 8.)

2. It being learned that Bro. Joe Brown, Company Mills, N. C., was preaching under the auspices of this Conference without any license granting him that privilege, by correspondence last spring, your committee, in the name of the Conference, asked said brother to desist from the exercise of this privilege in the name and under the auspices of the church until license therefor shall have been obtained from Conference.

3. Bro. G. W. Tickle, a member of the Biblical Class of this Conference, having graduated at Elon College, came before the committee June 23, and after due examination his licensure was ordered at Elon College, Sunday, June 26, at which time and place license properly drawn up and assigned were presented by Rev. J. O. Atkinson in behalf of the Conference.

4. By correspondence, a letter of transfer from this to the Eastern North Carolina Conference was granted to Rev. S. B. Klapp.

Respectfully submitted,

J. O. ATKINSON, Sec.
J. W. HOLT,
P. T. KLAPP,
Committee.

Church letters were called for and read.

On motion H. V. Simpson was appointed to take subscriptions to the Christian Annual.

On motion Rev. G. W. Tickle was granted the privilege of taking work in the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

On motion J. W. Carlton, J. T. Cobb and J. H. Yancey were appointed a committee to receive invitations for the next session of Conference.

On motion the Secretary was appointed to revise our church letter blank and to submit the revised form to the Executive committee.

On motion Rev. W. T. Herndon was elected to deliver the next annual sermon or address before this body. S. A. Holleman was chosen his alternate.

On motion S. A. Holleman, J. D. Simpson and J. U. Sutton were appointed a committee to nominate fraternal messengers to sister conferences.

On motion Conference decided to meet daily at 9 a. m. spend twenty minutes in Religious exercises, adjourn at 12 m., meet at one p. m. and adjourn at will.

Conference adjourned. Prayer by Rev. J. P. Barrett.

SECOND DAY.—NOV. 23, 1898.

Conference convened. President in the chair.

Religious exercises by Rev. L. I. Cox. Minutes of first day read and approved.

Rev. J. P. Barrett, of Norfolk, Va., was invited to a seat in Conference.

The Annual Missionary sermon was appointed for 11 a. m. today.

A thanksgiving service was appointed to be conducted by Rev. W. S. Long at 11 a. m. tomorrow.

The following was carried:

PARTIAL REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Education recommend that Rev. W. S. Long be admitted to membership in this body from the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

J. O. ATKINSON,
P. T. KLAPP,
J. W. WELLONS,
Committee.

A letter from the President of the Christian Missionary Association was read, and Rev. J. P. Barrett was given time to set forth the work and claims of the Association.

The following resolution was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That, in discussion of the several reports to this Conference, all speeches be limited to ten minutes, except that of the chairman or some person designated by the committee, which shall be limited to thirty minutes.

Resolved further, That no subject shall consume more than an hour and a half.

S. A. HOLLEMAN,
H. V. SIMPSON.

Report on Moral Reform was submitted.

Special order having arrived the annual address on Missions was delivered by Rev. J. P. Barrett in lieu of Rev. J. O. Atkinson appointed at last session.

Pending the consideration of the report on Moral Reform Conference took a recess of one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order by the President.

The report pending was further discussed and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON MORAL REFORM.

The Great Teacher has clearly taught that we cannot be innocent if we suffer ourselves to place temptation in the way of others; that we aid and abet crime when we give our neighbor drink or do that by which he is offended or is made weak.

We therefore think it inconsistent and sinful to induce a man to sin and then punish him for sinning. It is wrong to consent to a business and then to punish its patrons. It is wrong to accept pay for the privilege of committing crime and then to punish the criminal. It is wrong to educate for God and at the same time to train for the devil. It is wrong to point to heaven and at the same time to lead the way to hell. It is wrong to condemn crime and at the same time to honor the criminal.

The laws of God are consistent, and we must strive to maintain consistency in our relation to those things condemned by His laws. Under this head we mention Sabbath-breaking, the cigarette habit, divorce laws, card-playing, dancing, gambling and profanity.

THOS. W. STROWD,
J. W. HOLT,
S. B. KLAPP,
G. W. TICKLE.

On motion the chair appointed T. W. Strowd, S. A. Holleman, P. T. Klapp a committee on apportionments.

The report on Foreign Missions was then discussed and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Our Mission work in Japan, by the latest official report, July 1, 1898, affords the following statistics: Missionaries, 5; organized churches, 5; stations, 7; out-stations, 18; day schools, 1; pupils, 40;

night schools, 1; pupils, 17; ministerial students, 5; ordained native preachers, 4; Bible women,, 3; church membership, 330; Sunday-schools, 13; membership in Sunday-schools, 469.

In comparison with the needs of this field and our opportunity therein for doing good, we feel that our efforts are meagre, indeed, and that we, as a Conference and as a church, are but poorly and scantily performing our duty in this behalf. We feel that our people are sadly deficient in a right understanding of the real crying need of the Foreign field for the gospel of Christ; nor are we, as a church, giving by one-tenth what we might easily give, and only be the better off for so doing.

To-day seems the very high-noon of mission demands and missionary opportunity. There is scarcely a nation now that forbids missionaries of the Christian religion entering and preaching and teaching at will. Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines having during the past year succumbed to our arms, our trade and commerce will soon be established and busy in these countries. Why should not our missionaries also be carrying the glad tidings of the gospel that has made our own country so great, so prosperous and so happy?

We are glad to see that the Mission Board of the American Christian Convention has arranged for the establishment of a mission on the island of Cypress. Rev. M. C. Alexanian, a native Armenian, has been appointed to that field on condition that he raise money sufficient to sustain the enterprise for two years before going to the field. We therefore bid this brother God-speed in his efforts to carry the gospel to his own people. We bespeak for him and his cause a liberal support at the hands of our people, bearing in mind that contributions to this work are to be in addition to the contributions to our Japan work.

We recommend—

1. That at least one "Mission Day" a year be observed by all our churches.

2. That some one be selected at this session of Conference to deliver a sermon or an address on the subject of "Missions" before the Conference at its next annual session.

3. That we heartily recommend The Christian Missionary, published at Dayton, Ohio, by Rev. J. G. Bishop, as worthy of our study and support. Price, fifty cents per year.

4. That each church of this Conference be required to raise an amount equal to ten cents per member for said Foreign work.

5. That we earnestly pray God, the giver of every good and perfect gift, to lay it on the heart of some dear, consecrated Christian in the South to go as a missionary to the foreign field.

J. O. ATKINSON,
P. T. KLAPP,
S. A. HOLLEMAN,
Committee.

The following was discussed by items and adopted:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

We are gratified to be able to report that some of our mission points have made progress during the past year.

The work at Durham, N. C., seems to have progressed under the care of Rev. J. W. Wellons, and we favor a further appropriation at that point.

South Boston, Va., gives promise as a mission point, and we favor further appropriation to this point.

New Lebanon Church has done well under the care of Rev. L. I. Cox.

Big Falls has been using its new church since July last, though it is still unfurnished, and they ask for further assistance. We favor giving it.

Goshen Chapel asks for further help. We favor giving a small amount to this point.

We do not favor continuing the memberships in the Christian Missionary Association from the Home Mission fund, but think such memberships should be raised by individual contributions.

The chairman of this committee is ordered to look after Lexington, N. C.

Haw River asks for aid to meet its indebtedness. We favor what we may be able to give to this point.

We recommend quarterly reports and quarterly payments, unless otherwise specified.

J. W. HOLT,
J. T. COBB,
THOS. W. STROWD.

On motion Revs. W. S. Long and G. W. Tickle were appointed to represent two memberships in the Christian Missionary Association in behalf of the Conference the same having been raised by individual contributions.

On motion a committee of one was appointed to cooperate with similar committees from the Eastern North Carolina and Western North Carolina Christian Conferences in regard to sending a missionary to Porto Rico or Cuba. Rev. P. T. Klapp was appointed.

The committee to nominate fraternal messengers to sister Conferences reported as follows and same adopted:

We recommend the election of the following Fraternal Messengers to the respective Conferences:

To Eastern Virginia—Rev. G. W. Tickle.

To Eastern North Carolina—Rev. W. S. Long.

To Western North Carolina—Rev. J. W. Holt.

To Valley Virginia—Rev. W. T. Herndon.
To Georgia and Alabama—Rev. J. W. Wellons.

Respectfully submitted,

S. A. HOLLEMAN,
J. D. SIMPSON,
J. U. SUTTON.

Conference adjourned.

THIRD DAY.—NOV. 24, 1898.

Conference called to order by the president.

Religious exercises by the Secretary.

Roll called and minutes of second day read and approved.

Some additional church letters were read and delegates enrolled.

The following resolution was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That our next session embrace four days and that we have a preaching service each day at noon. Offered by Rev. W. S. Long.

The following report was offered and adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

Our Sunday-schools have a vital influence upon the life of a church, being the foundation from which we are to draw the future church.

We forget this fact too much and allow our Sunday-schools to grow lax and merely a hum-drum duty rather than a lively, vigorous work for the Master.

Let us seek to improve the effects of the work done in the Sabbath-schools in various ways.

To this end we would recommend—

1st. That in the selection of superintendent and teachers, care should be exercised to get persons of energy, promptness and of vital Christian influence. A careless teacher is an abomination.

2d. That teachers especially provide themselves with suitable class helps beyond the usual Quarterlies. Among these we recommend Arnold's Commentary, published at Dayton, Ohio, and Peloubet's Notes, published at Boston, Mass., as specially adapted to the needs of the teachers.

3d. That the students and teachers do not rely so much upon the Quarterly to the partial neglect of the Bible, and especially the daily readings, for they are really a part of each lesson, and to neglect them is but to fail.

4th. That every school use our own publications, which are as good as the best and worthy the hearty endorsement of any Sabbath-school.

5th. That more attention be given to the primary classes by procuring picture-lesson cards each week in advance, and by giving them special direction in vocal music. The primary teacher is possibly the most responsible teacher in the school, and should be a person naturally qualified as well as pious.

6th. That the pastor, while exercising a general supervision, should not be expected to teach a class, but rather organize a teachers' class for uniformity and thoroughness in the work.

7th. That a penny collection be diligently urged as conducive to the training in giving, which needs to be systematic to be effective. No organization can live without some funds, and the children should especially consider their giving an essential feature in their religious training.

8th. That more attention be given to training the children in singing, for the song service is one of the most essential features of a successful Sunday-school.

9th. We recommend that all schools continue the work through winter.

Respectfully submitted,

H. V. SIMPSON,
NED F. BRANNOCK,
L. H. YANCEY.

S. A. Holleman, J. T. Cobb and J. W. Carlton were appointed a committee on Finance.

The Treasurer's report was offered and referred to the committee on Finance.

On motion the Secretary was directed to draw orders quarterly in advance in favor of Rev. S. Apple for the amount of forty dollars of Superannuated Fund.

Report on Education was submitted and pending the discussion of the report special order for a thanksgiving service was called and a sermon was delivered by Rev. W. S. Long, followed by a collection for the Orphanage Fund amounting to $8.56.

Conference adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President.

The report on Education pending at the time of adjournment was further discussed and lost.

Final report on Home Missions was submitted and adopted as follows:

FINAL REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

We recommend the following appropriations from the Home Mission Fund:

To Goshen Chapel, $15, to be paid quarterly, when church deed is recorded and filed with the Treasurer of Conference.

To Big Falls, $50, to be paid at once to Rev. J. W. Holt to discharge debt on said church.

To Durham, $90, when church deed is filed with Treasurer of Conference; payments quarterly.

To Haw River, $50 on the pastor's salary, payable quarterly, upon condition that the church shall raise an equal amount for church-extension work, to be spent on church at Haw River, and shall file the deed to their property, properly recorded, with the Treasurer of this Conference.

To South Boston, $25, to be paid quarterly, when deed for a lot is made to this Conference, recorded and filed with the Treasurer of this Conference.

To New Lebanon, $10, upon same conditions as in case of Haw River.

From Church-extension Fund to Haw River, $10, when their church deed is properly filed with the Treasurer of Conference.

To New Lebanon, $20, upon the same conditions as Haw River.

To South Boston, $30, upon the same condition as Haw River.

To Big Falls, $10, to be paid at once to Rev. J. W. Holt, to liquidate the indebtedness of said church.

Official notice of compliance with the conditions of the foregoing appropriations must be made to the Secretary of Conference as his authority for drawing orders for the same.

J. W. HOLT,
THOS. W. STROWD,
JOHN T. COBB.

On motion the Secretary was allowed fifteen dollars for his services.

Moved and carried, that the Secretary draw orders upon the Treasurer of Conference for the various amounts appropriated at this session according to the tenor of the appropriations. Offered by Rev. T. W. Strowd.

The committee to receive invitations for the next session of Conference reported recommending Bethel, Caswell county, N. C., as the most suitable place. Report was adopted.

The committee to receive subscriptions to the Christian Annual reported, and, to meet the deficiency necessary to secure the publication of our minutes in the Annual, the following was offered to be paid out of the Conference contingent fund. Motion carried.

Moved that the Secretary of Conference draw an order on the Treasurer for $11.40 to pay the balance needed to pay for the publication of the minutes of this body in the Annual, and that they be distributed amongst the churches for sale, and the money paid over to the Treasurer of Conference. W. S. LONG.

On motion the report on Education was taken up, reconsidered and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

We recognize the ever-increasing demand for a better educated ministry and laity. "Knowledge is power," and if the church would be strong and efficient in its labor of soul-saving and character-building it must educate. Time was when one could educate or not, to suit one's convenience and circumstances. Education was a luxury only indulged in by the few. That time has passed, and education is imperative for efficiency in any capacity of human endeavor. The luxury of the past has become to be the necessity of the present. We feel that we cannot too strongly urge upon our people the importance and necessity of an education for efficiency of service in the various vocations and pursuits of life.

While demand for education has been increasing, the possibility of obtaining it has been put within reach of all of reasonable age who are not impaired in mind and body. Young men and young women who have the will and energy to do and dare can obtain not only an academic, but a collegiate, education.

Elon College, being the property of the Southern Christian Convention and situated within the bounds of this Conference, has quickened not only the intellectual but the spiritual energy of our entire brotherhood South, and has proved itself worthy our confidence, support and patronage. About five hundred of our young people have attended the institution during the past eight years, and an average of about 113 students per annum has been enrolled.

We recommend—

That this Conference raise annually the sum of $325, the amount asked for by the Convention from this Conference for the liquidation of the bonded debt of Elon College.

Bro. J. S. Carden came before the committee, requesting ordination. We appreciate the faithful work of this brother during the past year, and would like to encourage him in any way we can, but his literary

qualifications would not justify the committee in recommending his ordination.

Satisfactory report has been received from Bro. Eddie French. He is in a preparatory school, and we recommend that he continue his work of preparation.

Bro. W. T. Walters could not continue in school on account of his eyes. He now wishes to re-enter college and asks us to make him a loan of $60. We recommend a loan to him of $40, provided he remain in school at Elon College from January till June.

Bro. H. L. Hines, having joined some other church, we recommend that his name be droped from our list.

We recommend that the Executive Committee ascertain why Rev. H. C. Fulton has made no report, either by letter or in person, to this body for the past two years.

FNANCIAL EXHIBIT.

Bills receivable:	
W. C. Wicker	$50.00
W. D. Harward	50.00
G. C. Wadford	25.00
Henry Cassady	30.00
J. S. Carden	40.00
J. S. Carden	10.00
Accounts:	
W. T. Walters	$28.00
Cash	$207.62
Total assets	$440.62

J. O. ATKINSON,
P. T. KLAPP,
J. W. WELLONS,
Committee.

Report of committee on apportionment was submitted and adopted after striking out the last two items, adopted as follows:

Name of Churches.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Schools and Colleges.	Education.	Church Extension.	Conference Fund.	Superannuated Fund.
Apples Chapel	$ 16 00	16 00	$ 22 00	$ 8 00	$ 8 00	$ 2 20	$ 4 40
Bethlehem	34 00	34 00	46 00	17 00	17 00	3 50	7 00
Bethel	6 00	6 00	8 00	3 00	3 00	63	1 26
Bellews Creek	3 00	3 00	4 00	1 50	1 50	48	96
Big Falls	2 00	2 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	20	40
Concord	5 00	5 00	7 00	2 50	2 50	56	1 12
Durham	10 00	10 00	14 00	5 00	5 00	1 17	2 34
Elon College	7 00	7 00	9 50	3 50	3 50	53	1 06
Goshen Chapel	3 50	3 50	5 00	2 00	2 00	38	76
Hines Chapel	17 50	17 50	23 50	8 50	8 50	1 86	3 72
Haw River	3 00	3 00	4 00	1 50	1 50	35	70
Happy Home	5 00	5 00	7 00	2 50	2 50	54	1 08
Hebron	12 00	12 00	16 00	6 00	6 00	1 39	2 78
Howards Chapel	7 00	7 00	9 00	3 50	3 50	45	90
Ingram	8 00	8 00	11 00	4 00	4 00	73	1 46
Kallam Grove	3 00	3 00	4 00	1 50	1 50	33	66
Lebanon	12 00	12 00	16 00	6 00	6 00	1 37	2 74
Long's Chapel	11 00	11 00	15 00	5 50	5 50	1 07	2 14
Mt. Bethel	5 00	5 00	7 00	2 50	2 50	45	90
Mt. Zion	4 00	4 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	39	78
New Lebanon	3 00	3 00	4 00	1 50	1 50	30	60
Pleasant Grove	22 00	22 00	30 00	11 00	11 00	2 14	4 28
Pleasant Ridge	5 00	5 00	7 00	2 50	2 50	57	1 14
Salem Chapel	11 00	11 00	14 50	5 50	5 50	1 22	2 44
Sage Garden	2 00	2 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	30	60
Shallow Ford	7 00	7 00	9 50	3 50	3 50	75	1 50
South Boston	2 00	2 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	17	34
Union, N. C	25 00	25 00	34 00	12 50	12 50	2 55	5 10
Union, Va	14 00	14 00	19 00	7 00	7 50	1 58	3 16
Totals	$265 00	$265 00	$360 00	$132 50	$132 50	$28 16	$56 32

T. W. STROWD,
S. A. HOLLEMAN,
P. T. KLAPP.
Committee.

The following was adopted:

We, your Finance Committee, beg leave to submit that we have examined the Treasurer's report and found he has disbursed the funds as directed, with proper vouchers.

We recommend that the Treasurer be requested to collect the notes of G. C. Wadford and H. H. Cassady, if possible, and that he request Rev. W. C. Wicker and Rev. W. D. Harward to make some payment on their notes during the next year.

S. A. HOLLEMAN,
J. T. COBB,
J. W. CARLTON,
Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

HOME MISSIONS.

1897.			
Nov. 25	To cash		$ 255 66
Nov. 25	By order paid Rev. W. T. Herndon	$ 10 00	
Nov. 25	By order paid Rev. W. T. Herndon	10 00	
Nov. 30	By order paid Rev. L. I. Cox	10 00	
1898.			
Feb. 21	By order paid Rev. J. W. Patton	9 00	
Feb. 28	By order paid Rev. J. W. Wellons	31 25	
Mar. 7	By order paid Rev. J. S. Carden	2 00	
May 27	By order paid Rev. J. S. Carden	2 00	
May 27	By order paid Rev. J. W. Potton	9 00	
May 27	By order paid Rev. J. W. Wellons	31 25	
Sept. 5	By order paid Rev. J. W. Wellons	31 25	
Sept. 5	By order paid Rev. J. W. Patton	9 00	
Sept. 5	By order paid Rev. J. S. Carden	2 00	
Nov. 22	By order paid Treasurer 1½ per cent.	2 94	
Nov. 24	By order paid Rev. J. W. Wellons	31 25	
Nov. 24	By order paid Rev. J. S. Carden	2 00	
Nov. 24	By order paid Rev. J. W. Patton	9 00	
	To cash to balance	53 72	
			$ 255 66
		$ 255 66	
	To cash on hand		$ 53 72
	To cash received		196 04
			$ 249 76

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

1897.			
Nov. 25	To Cash		$ 182 30
Nov. 26	By order paid J. A. Mills	$ 179 56	
1898.			
	By order paid Treas., Com. 1½ per cent	2 74	
		$ 182 30	$ 182 30
Nov. 24	To cash received		$ 193 98
	To cash brought forward		4 63
			$ 198 61

CHURCH EXTENSION

1897.			
Nov. 25	To cash		$ 60 17
1898.			
Feb. 21	By order paid Rev. L. I. Cox	25 00	
Mar. 22	By order paid J. C. McAdams	25 00	
Nov.	By order paid Treas., Com. 1½ per cent.	85	
	By cash to balance	9 32	$ 60 17
	To cash on hand	$ 60 17	$ 9 32
Nov. 24	To cash received		64 85
			$ 74 17

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

1897.			
Nov. 25	To cash		$ 168 74
Dec. 8	By order paid Rev. J. O. Atkinson (W. T. Walters)	$ 30 00	
1898.			
Jan. 22	By order paid Rev. J. O. Atkinson (W. T Walters)	20 00	
Nov. 22	By order paid Treas., Com. 1½ per cent.	1 27	
Nov. 23	To cash received Rev. J. O. Atkinson (W. T. Walters)		
	By cash to balance	139 47	22 00
	To cash on hand	$ 190 74	$ 190 74
	To cash received		68 15
			$ 207 62

NOTES ON HAND.

1898.			
Nov.	To note Rev. W. C. Wicker	$ 50 00	
	To note Rev. W. D. Harword	50 00	
	To note G. C. Wadford	25 00	
	To note Henry Cassaday	30 00	
	To note Rev. J. S. Carden	40 00	
	To note Rev. J. S. Carden	10 00	
June 5	To note W. T. Walters	28 00	
			$ 233 00

CONFERENCE FUND.

1897.			
Nov. 25	To cash		$ 24 89
Nov. 26	By order paid Rev. J. W. Holt	$ 15 00	
1898.			
Nov. 22	By order paid Treas., Com. 1½ per cent	37	
	To cash to balance	9 52	
			$ 24 89
	To cash on hand	$ 24 89	9 52
Nov. 24	To cash received		23 13
			$ 32 65

SUPERANNUATED FUND.

1898. Nov. 24	To cash received	$ 40 00	$ 40 00

T. W. STROWD, Treasurer.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LITERATURE.

We would recommend the publications of our own publishing houses in preference to all others, since ours compare favorably with the best. The Herald of Gospel Liberty, The American Christian and our Sunday-school publications should find a place in all our churches and homes, if possible. But we would especially recommend The Christian Sun, the only organ of the Christian Church, South, as being worthy of our most earnest support, and that the church blanks be so arranged as to have a place for the number of copies of The Sun being taken.

We would further recommend that each church take the yearly collection for the establishment of our publishing house, as recommended by the last General Convention.

There are several books pubilshed by our members, all of which we heartily endorse, a list of which can be had by request upon Prof. E. L. Moffitt, of Elon College, N. C. We urge our people to read carefully our own literature and aid in its distribution among those who do not know us fully.

J. T. COBB,
J. W. CARLTON,
S. A. HOLLEMAN,
Committee.

The President announced the following:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Education—Revs. W. S. Long, J. W. Wellons, P. T. Klapp.

Home Missions—Rev. J. W. Holt, Prof. S. A. Holleman, H. V. Simpson.

Foreign Missions—Revs. P. T. Klapp, W. T. Herndon, T. B. Dawson.

Executive Committee—Revs. J. W. Wellons, W. S. Long, P. T. Klapp.

Moral Reform—Prof. S. A. Holleman, Rev. T. W. Strowd, Rev. J. W. Holt.

Religious Literature—Rev. W. T. Herndon, G. W. Tickle, J. W. Carlton.

Sunday-schools—Rev. T. W. Strowd, John T. Cobb, J. S. Carden.

On motion the name of Rev. J. O. Atkinson was added to the committee on Education.

The following was adopted:

Resolved, That a vote of thanks is due and is hereby tendered to this church and community for hospitality and great kindness in entertaining this Conference. J. T. COBB.

Rev. J. O. Atkinson was chosen to deliver the annual Mission sermon before next session of Conference with Rev. P. T. Klapp as his alternate.

The Secretary was instructed to draw an order in favor of J. A. Mills, Treasurer of the General Convention for the amount of Foreign Mission Funds on hand.

On motion Conference adjourned to meet at Bethel church, Caswell county, N. C., on Tuesday after the third Sunday in November, 1899, at eleven o'clock a. m.

J. O. ATKINSON,
President.

J. W. HOLT,
Secretary.

W. L. TAYLOR,
Assistant Secretary.

MNISTERIAL REPORTS IN BRIEF.

Sol. Apple: Had no charge; worked in Sunday-school.

J. O. Atkinson: No charge; fifty-two sermons; teaching in Elon College

T. B. Dawson: No charge; worked as colporteur.

H. C. Fulton: No report.

W. T Herndon: Missionary in Virginia Valley.

J. W. Holt: Served Lebanon, Long's Chapel, Big Falls and Hines' Chapel; sermons, 83; salary, $300.

A. F. Iseley: No charge; worked in Sunday-school.

P. T. Klapp: Served Ingram, Bethlehem, Damascus; sermons, 115; additions, 14; salary, $400.

S. B. Klapp: Transferred to Eastern North Carolina Conference.

J. W. Pinnix: Served Apple's Chapel; taught school.

T. W. Strowd: Served Bethel, Concord and Union (Virginia); taught school eight months.

J. W. Wellons: Served Durham; additions, 30; sermons, 194; salary, $325.

W. H. Ford: Traveled and lectured in Ohio and Indiana.

J. W. Fonville: No charge.

J. S. Carden: Served Goshen Chapel.

G. W. Tickle: Worked in Virginia Valley.

H. L. Hines: Dropped.

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THE HOLIDAYS.

Good Friday—April 13.

Easter Sunday—April 15.

Christmas—Tuesday, December 25.

ECLIPSES.

In the year 1900, there will be three eclipses, two of the Sun and one of the Moon.

I. A TOTAL ECLIPSE OF THE SUN, May 28th. Visible all over North America, beginning early in the day and lasting about two hours.

II. A PARTIAL EGLIPSE OF THE MOON, June 12th. Very slight. Visible in North America.

III. An ANNULAR ECLIPSE OF THE SUN, November 22nd. Not visible in this country.

MOON'S PHASES.

FOR JANUARY.

	D. H. M.		D. H. M.
New Moon	1 9 8 a. m.	First Quarter,	8 0 56 a. m.
Full Moon,	15 2 23 p. m.	Last Quarter,	23 7 9 p. m.
New Moon,	30 8 38 p. m.		

FOR FEBRUARY.

	D. H. M.		D. H. M.
First Quarter,	6 11 39 a. m.	Full Moon,	14 9 6 a. m.
Last Quarter	22 0 0 p. m.		

FOR MARCH.

	D. H. M.		D. H. M.
New Moon,	1 6 41 a. m.	First Quarter,	8 0 50 a. m.
Full Moon,	16 3 28 a. m.	Last Quarter,	24 0 52 a. m.
New Moon,	30 3 46 p. m.		

FOR APRIL.

	D. H. M.		D. H. M.
First Quarter,	6 4 10 p. m.	Full Moon,	14 8 18 p. m.
Last Quarter,	22 9 49 a. m.	New Moon,	29 0 39 a. m.

FOR MAY.

	D. H. M.		D. H. M.
First Quarter,	6 8 55 a. m.	Full Moon,	14 10 52 a. m.
Last Quarter,	21 3 47 p. m.	New Moon,	28 10 6 a. m.

FOR JUNE.

	D. H. M.		D. H. M.
First Quarter,	5 2 15 a. m.	Full Moon,	12 10 54 p. m.
Last Quarter,	19 8 13 p. m.	New Moon,	26 8 43 p. m.

FOR JULY.

	D. H. M.		D. H. M.
First Quarter,	4 7 29 p. m.	Full Moon,	12 8 38 a. m.
Last Quarter,	19 0 47 a. m.	New Moon,	26 8 59 a. m.

FOR AUGUST.

	D. H. M.		D. H. M.
First Quarter	3 0 1 p. m.	Full Moon,	10 4 46 p. m.
Last Quarter,	17 7 2 a. m.	New Moon,	24 11 8 p. m.

FOR SEPTEMBER.

	D. H. M.		D. H. M.
First Quarter,	2 3 12 a. m.	Full Moon,	9 0 22 a. m.
Last Quarter,	15 4 13 p. m.	New Moon,	23 3 13 p. m.

FOR OCTOBER.

	D. H. M.		D. H. M.
First Quarter,	1 4 26 p. m.	Full Moon,	8 8 34 a. m.
Last Quarter,	15 5 7 a. m.	New Moon,	23 8 43 a. m.
First Quarter,	31 3 33 a. m.		

FOR NOVEMBER.

	D. H. M.		D. H. M.
Full Moon,	6 6 16 p. m.	Last Quarter,	13 9 53 p. m.
New Moon,	22 2 33 a. m	First Quarter,	29 0 51 p. m.

FOR DECEMBER.

	D. H. M.		D. H. M.
Full Moon,	6 5 54 a. m.	Last Quarter,	13 5 58 p. m.
New Moon,	21 7 17 p. m.	First Quarter,	28 9 4 p. m.

THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

From the meeting of the first General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, held in Baltimore, Nov. 1, 1792, the Christian Church dates its origin. During the sitting of that body, Rev. James O'Kelly, a presiding elder and one of the strongest and most influential Methodists of his time, introduced a resolution providing that when a minister was not satisfied with the circuit to which his Bishop had appointed him, he could appeal to conference, and if his appeal were sustained, the Bishop should give him another appointment. After a long and heated debate the resolution was lost. The next day O'Kelly and about thirty other ministers sent in their resignations and withdrew from Conference. Next year they met at Manokin Town, N. C., and organized a body taking the name of "Republican Methodists," not intending to cut themselves entirely loose from the Methodist Church. They soon found, however, that such a course was impracticable; and in 1794 they again met in conference at old Lebanon Church, Surry County, Va., and there, at the suggestion of Rev. Rice Haggard, they decided henceforth to wear only the name "Christian," to take the Bible itself as their only creed, and to allow each church to govern itself.

A little later, in the year 1801, Rev. Abner Jones and a few faithful followers in New England, left the Baptist Church; while still later, in 1803, Rev. Barton W. Stone and others, in the West, renounced the faith of the Presbyterian church. Both these separations were on account of the lack of liberality on the part of the old churches; and they, too, adopted the name "Christian," took the Bible as their only creed, and recognized the independence of each individual church. It is a singular and suggestive fact that no one of these three bodies knew of the similar

action of the other bodies until some years afterwards. Finally, when communication between the three sections became easier, they soon saw their oneness of purpose, and quickly united their forces in a common cause.

This simultaneous revolt against the three great American churches, though for a time seemingly unimportant, was in harmony with the spirit of the age—a natural outgrowth of the times. It was the idea of independence rising above the social and reaching into the religious life of the world. Others were content with freedom from political tyranny; the Christians went a step further, and demanded freedom from ecclesiastical and dogmatical tyranny.

Their progress was, at first, necessarily slow, as is the case with all reformatory movements. Other denominations were already established, and hence had the power, wealth, and influence of the country at their command. This gave our small, unorganized, ill-equipped band of faithful soldiers whole armies of well-organized and equipped hosts to meet in the battle for religious liberty. But notwithstanding this rather unpromising beginning, we have struggled on in our efforts for what we believe to be right and for the good of humanity. We have had our share of opposition, neglect, and derision. The darts of the enemy have been many and poisoned; but 'we have striven to take unto ourselves the whole armour of God, that we may be able to withstand in the evil day, having our loins girt about with truth, having on the breastplate of righteousness, and our feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; above all taking the shield of faith, wherewith we shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked, and taking the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the spirit, which is the word of God,' we have pressed forward with an unfaltering trust in Him who guides the destinies of all peoples, and success is crowning our efforts.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

THIRTIETH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

VIRGINIA ✣ VALLEY ✣ CHRISTIAN ✣ CONFERENCE,

HELD AT

NEW HOPE CHURCH,

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY, VA.

NEW HOPE, ROCKINGHAM, CO., VA.,
August 31, 1899.

Pursuant to adjournment the Virginia Valley Christian Conference met at the above named place.

In the absence of the President of last session, the body was called to order by the Standing Secretary, J. S. Kagey.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. W. T. Herndon.

The roll was called and responses given.

No. of ministers present:

Antioch.—T. H. Showalter and C. A. Hinton.

Bethlehem.—J. C. Bradford and S. W. Lincoln.

Beulah.—No delegates present.

Concord.—N. B. Holsinger and Elizabeth C. Golladay.

Linville.—D. J. Sipe and L. S. Rhodes.

Mt. Grove.—H. P. Shifflet.

New Hope.—Samuel Earman and M. L. Bryant.

Wood's Chapel.—Samuel Hyden.

Woodland.—No delegates.

Bro. S. W. Lincoln was elected President; D. J. Sipe, Vice-President, and J. C. Bradford, Assistant Secretary.

On motion Revs. W. T. Herdon, A. G. B. Powers, E. T. Iseley, L. L. Lassiter and Prof. E. L. Moffitt were invited to seats as deliberative members.

Church letters were called for, and letters from all the churches except Beulah and Woodland were handed in and read.

Reports of Fraternal Messengers were called for and several responded.

On motion Bro. G. W. Rothgeb, of the Central Virginia Conference, was invited to a seat as deliberative member.

On motion Conference adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. B. F. Black.

On motion, Revs. J. W. Jollett, of the M. E. Church, and B. F. Black, were invited to seats as deliberative members.

On motion the order of business was taken up where we left off this forenoon.

The Committee on Sunday Schools offered the following report, which was discussed by Rev. B. F. Black, Profs. E. L. Moffitt and J. J. Lincoln and adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We, your Committee on Sunday Schools, are glad to report that there is a growing interest in the bounds of our Sunday School work. There are more engaged in the work now than at any previous time. The Annual Sunday School Conventions have been well attended, and good interest manifested by our people. Especially do we recommend their work, as we believe it is one of the best means of promoting the work, and urge that all nine of the churches in the bounds of this Conference be represented in our Sunday School Convention.

While we feel encouraged, and believe the work is prospering, we are sure that there is a great work yet to be accomplished, we therefore urge all Christians to come to the front in their grand army. We recommend:

1. That the selection of officers and teachers be taken from the local church membership, having consideration of qualification and fitness to teach in the person selected.

2. That the officers and teachers take special interest in getting the children interested in the song service.

3. That we use chart, map and blackboard drawings, following the suggestions in Quarterlies.

4. That every school use our own literature, which is equal to any published in our country.

J. S. MARTZ, *Committee.*

On motion thirty minutes, immediately after the disposal of the Foreign Mission report tomorrow was granted Prof. E. L. Moffitt, to speak in behalf of the Christian Missionary Association.

On motion the Pastor and delegates of New Hope Church were constituted a committee on Religious Exercises.

The following letter announcing the death of Rev. D. T. Deanes, was read by the Secretary:

To the Secretary of the V. V. C. C., Linville, Va.

DEAR BRO.:—It is with deep regret that I announce to you the death of my dear uncle, Rev. D. T. Deanes, which occurred at Ronda, N. C., August 2, 1899. He was perfectly resigned to the will of God, and expressed a desire many times to pass over the River, and be with his Saviour. By his death we feel that we have lost our best friend, a great and good man.

Your Brother,

Ronda, N. C., August 25, 1899. J. W. MINER.

On motion the Chair was requested to appoint a committee to draft resolutions of respect on the death of this brother.

Bros. D. J. Sipe, J. J. Lincoln and J. S. Martz, were appointed said committee.

By request of Bro. Black, the Annual Address was postponed to tomorrow at 12 M.

The committee on Religious Exercises reported preaching tonight by Rev. L. L. Lassiter.

Fraternal Messengers were elected as follows:

To the Central Virginia Conference—J. J. Lincoln and C. A. Hinton.

North Carolina and Virginia.—B. F. Black and J. S. Martz.

Western North Carolina.—B. F. Black, M. L. Bryant and W. H. Sipe.

Eastern North Carolina.—J. S. Kagey and T. H. Showalter.

Georgia and Alabama.—S. W. Lincoln, and J. C. Bradford.

East Virginia.—D. J. Sipe and J. J. Lincoln.

On motion, Conference departed from the order of business and went into the selection of a place to hold its next annual session. Linville and Antioch were put in nomination. Linville was selected. A motion was made and carried to reconsider the act just passed. After reconsideration, Conference decided to hold her next Annual session at Antioch.

On motion, the following schedule for meeting and adjournment was adopted:

Meet at 9:30 A. M.

Adjourn at 11:30 A. M., for Religious Exercises.

Meet at 1:30 P. M.

Adjourn at will.

On motion, Rev. G. W. Tickle, of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference was invited to a seat as deliberative member.

On motion, Conference adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

SECOND DAY.

September 1, 1899.

Conference was called to order by the President.

Devotional Exercises by Rev E. T. Iseley.

The roll was called and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read, corrected and approved.

The Secretary read a letter from Rev. R. H. Peel, requesting a letter of transfer of membership to the East Virginia Conference, where he now has work.

On motion, the request was granted.

On motion, the ministers working in this Conference were requested to submit written reports of their work. They report as follows:

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

To the Virginia Valley Christian Conference:

I have labored nine months in this Conference. During this time I have traveled 756 miles and preached 38 sermons, funerals 2, lectures 1, Sabbath School addresses 3, and general singing lessons on black board. Money received, $50.06.

REMARKS.—My work has been very pleasant, and hope that my labors will result in great good in this life, and in the end, eternal life.

Respectfully submitted,

A. G. B. POWERS.

To the Virginia Valley Christian Conference:

This report is for the year begining September 1, 1898, and ending September 1. 1899. I served as pastor of New Hope Church, in this Conference, besides serving as pastor for two churches in the Central Virginia Conference. Sermons preached, 45; pastoral visits, 40; funerals, 1; marriages, 4; members received, 7; salary $75.00.

Respectfully submitted,

E. T. ISELEY.

To the Virginia Valley Christian Conference:

This report is for two-thirds of the year ending August 31, 1899. Number of churches in charge, 4; sermons preached, 59; addresses delivered, 12; conversions, 7; members received, 8; pastoral visits, 257; amount of salary promised, $300; amount of salary received to date, $233 22. Names of churches served: Antioch, Linville, Concord and Bethlehem. The prospects are bright and the outlook hopeful at all these points.

Respectfully submitted,

L. L. LASSITER,
Tenth Legion, Va.

To the Virginia Valley Christian Conference:

Report of W. T. Herndon, pastor of Beulah Church, for the year 1899: In consequence of a change in location, we could not have regular services, but have been engaged in building a church building.

Respectfully submitted,

W. T. HERNDON.

The Committee on Education offered their report, which, after discussion by Prof. J. J. Lincoln, Dr. Herndon and Prof. E. L. Moffitt, was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Education is the theme most common everywhere in this country, and yet a great many fail to appreciate its worth. The time was when a few week's attendance at the old-field school seemed to suffice, but that time has passed, and education is imperative for power in any capacity.

While the demand for education has been increasing, the opportunity and the means for obtaining the same are at hand, and can be had by any one.

Elon College, chartered just ten years ago, is the property of the Southern Christian Convention, situated within the bounds of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, and we have before us in this body vital evidence, not only of the intellectual energy emanating from this institution, but the spiritual enthusiasm among our ministry and laity.

This institution is worthy of our confidence, support and patronage and evidenced fully by an article in the CHRISTIAN SUN, written by Dr J. U. Newman.

1. We recommend that this Conference raise annually the sum of $75, the amount asked for by the Convention from this Conference for the liquidation of the bonded debt of Elon College.

2. We recommend that the churches comprising the Conference be asked for 25 cents per member for educational purposes.

3. We recommend a closer study of the principles of the Christian Church, and a more earnest effort to diffuse a knowledge of the same.

4. We recommend that Bro. Black continue in school next year at Elon College, and serve the churches he has had in charge.

5. Alfred W. Andes, a member of the Woodland Christian Church, Weyer's Cave, Va., and M. L. Bryant, a member of New Hope Church, Keezletown, Va., apply for membership in the Biblical Class, and we recommend that their names be entered upon the roll.

J. J. LINCOLN,
THOS. H. SHOWALTER,
Committee.

On motion, Conference adjourned for the delivery of the Annual Address, by Rev. B. F. Black, and for dinner,

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order by the President. Prayer by Rev. G. W. Tickle.

Dr. Herndon presented two churches (Mayland and Mt. Olivet) for admission into Conference. The churches were admitted and the delegates enrolled. Delegates were as follows:

Mayland—J. D. Hilyard and Susan Petit.

Mt. Olivet—J. R. Lilly and George Lilly.

Rev. B. F. Black gave a verbal report of his work.

The Committee on Foreign Missions submitted their report, which, after being discussed by Prof. J. J. Lincoln, G. W. Rothgeb, M. L. Bryant and Rev. E. T. Isley, was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We think the success that has attended our efforts in Japan has been marvelous, considering the small amount of money furnished, and the shortness of time some of our missionaries have remained in the field.

Since the return of Prof. Woodworth we have only four missionaries in the field. Brother and Sister Fry, at Sendar, have the oversight of the work in the Northern field, while the great responsibility of the work in the city of Tokio, and neighboring villages, now rests on Miss Penrod and Miss True.

It is hoped that the Mission Board will transfer Brother Woodworth to some field for which his knowledge of the Japanese language fits him. Since the treaty, which went into effect in July, Japan is now open to missionaries as never before.

We need more money, that we may do a greater work in the field. "Freely ye have received, fr ely give."

The supreme mission of the Church to-day is the giving of the Gospel to those who have it not. The Gospel destitute, not only of our own land, but of other lands, are laid at our very gates, full of the sores sin

has made, with uplifted hands pleading for healing ointment, and for the bread of Life. Let us hasten to give it to them. We find some that do not believe in Foreign Missions; then how can they believe that Jesus is the Christ, for He is our first and greatest missionary. We need a broader missionary spirit among our people, that we may be brought into closer heart sympathy with Christ in the great work that brought him to this world, that led him through Gethsemane and on to Calvary. Taking our stand by the Cross, and looking out over the harvest field, the world, we ask, "Where are the reapers?" Truly, "the harvest is great, but the laborers are few."

It is now twelve years since we commenced foreign mission work, and yet we have but one mission—Japan.

Let us do more for our brothers and sisters who are in darkness. Some ask the question, "Why should the Mission Board undertake new work in the foreign field, when the work already in hand is in such need of enlarged funds!" This reminds us of an incident recorded in II Kings 13: 18, 19. Israel was in distress because of the Syrians. The prophet told the King of Israel to smite upon the ground; he smote only three times. This small effort made the prophet angry, and he told the King if he had smitten five or six times he would have conquered the Syrians, but now he would only smite Syria three times. This is the philosophy of success: where much is undertaken, within reasonable bounds, much is accomplished.

We have hardly "smitten three times." It is time for us to enter new fields. Many of our people are demanding it; reason and Christian love demand it. Does not God demand it?

Armenia, Cuba, Poto Rico and other fields are open for work. If we give our people more to do, more to be interested in, they will work more, pay more, and in that way our work will grow.

Let us awake to the subject of giving, and so plan in the future that the word "retrenchment," which caused so much regret in the past year, may be left out of our records of missionary work for all time. The churches have raised the following this year: Bethlehem, $7.78; Antioch, $11.81; Linville, $3 86; Concord, $2.51; New Hope, $17.10; Wood's Chapel,——; Woodland, ——; Mountain Grove, ——.

We recommend—

1. That the churches be assessed the following for next year: Bethlehem, $10.00; Antioch, $12.00; Linville, $7.00; Concord, $4.00; New Hope, $15.00; Woodland, $2.00; Wood's Chapel, $2.00, Beulah, $2.00; Mountain Grove, $2.00.

2. That each church have at least one missionary sermon during the year, and observe one Mission day.

3. That we heartily recommend the *Christian Missionary*, published at Dayton, Ohio, by Rev. J. G. Bishop, as worthy of our study and support.

4. That we pray for our missionaries, that they may receive strength from above, and guidance and help and patience; pray in faith, remembering that faith is the victory, the glorious victory that overcomes the world. Respectfully submitted,

MARY PICKERING.

On motion Rev. John Tamkin, of the Virginia Central Conference, was invited to a seat as deliberative member.

[The report of the Committee on Moral Reform was adopted, but the report has been lost, therefore it cannot be published in the minutes.—SECRETARY.]

The Executive Committee offered the following report which was adopted without discussion:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your committee had one meeting during the Conference year. The business done was to apportion the pastors' salary among the four churches—Antioch, Bethlehem, Concord and Linvi le—making a total of $300 for two-thirds of the past year, and fixing the necessary per cent. on State and county tax paid, which has been made known to the several churches.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. MARTZ, *Chairman.*
THOS. H. SHOWALTER,
SAMUEL EARMAN.

On motion the Chair was requested to appoint a committee to formulate plans to raise seventy-five dollars to be paid to Elon College as recommended by the Educational Committee, and also the same committee to formulate plans to raise seventy-five dollars to take up a note for that amount borrowed by the Conference for the benefit of Bro. B. F. Black while he was in school. Bros. C. A. Hinton, M. L. Bryant and C. D. Maphis were appointed as said committee.

The Committee on Religious Exercises reported preaching to-night by Rev. G. W. Tickle.

Conference adjourned with prayer by Rev. John W. Tamkins to meet to-morrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

THIRD DAY.

September 2, 1899.

Conference called to order.

Devotional Exercises by Rev. John Tamekin.

The roll was called and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

On motion, Rev. K Roach and Bro. W. A. Crawford, of the Central Virginia Conference were invited to seats as deliberative members.

On motion, Rev. C. H. Swank, of Antioch Church, was also invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

On motion, the following resolution was carried:

Resolved, That the Chair appoint a committee from this body, to co-operate with like committees from other Conferences looking to manipulating the work of the Christian Church in Cuba and Porto Rico.

Bros. Samuel Earman, T. H. Showalter and J. S. Martz, were appointed as said committee.

Two of the members of the committee to draft resolutions of respect on the death of Rev. D. T. Deanes, being absent, the Chair filled the vacancies, making the committee as follows: R. A. Hinton, T. H. Showalter, and J. S. Martz.

On motion, Conference went into the election of delegates to the General Convention to convene next May. On motion, the election of a Ministerial Delegate was referred to the Executive Committee, to be appointed for the ensuing year.

Bro. S. W. Lincoln was elected as Lay Delegate, and Bro. R. A. Hinton, alternate.

The report on Religious Literature was read and discussed by Prof. E. L. Moffitt.

Pending the adoption of the report, Conference adjourned for preaching and dinner.

ATERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President.

Prayer by L. L. Lassiter.

Discussion of the Report on Religious Literature was resumed, and the report adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We, your Committee on Religious Literature, present the following report:

This is an age of advancement. At regular recurring periods the years pass in rapid succession, and with their constantly recurring seasons they afford much time for reading. The question of the hour at this period of the world's history is, not *shall* we read, but *what* shall we read?

Never before in the history of the world was good literature so cheap or so abundant, and we must remember that bad literature is much cheaper, and much more abundant, than the good. Therefore we must be very careful in selecting literature for our young people to read, because what we read has very much to do with shaping and moulding our character.

History, both sacred and profane, is replete with the words and the thoughts of the greatest men and women who have ever lived. Biography records the deeds of the great and good of all ages; poetry tells with charming eloquence and inspiring grace, the story of the world's most marvelous events, and writes in lines of melody and symmetrical beauty the discussions and comments of the greatest themes the world has ever known.

The religious press of to-day is giving to the reading public the best thought of a thinking people, and we have only to open our eyes to behold a flood of literature sweeping the great mass of humanity in its course, and shaping the life of a progressive nation. Therefore we recommend—

1. That great care be exercised in selecting matter for our young people to read.

2. That we heartily endorse and cheerfully recommend to our people the CHRISTIAN SUN, the *Christian Missionary*, and *The Herald of Gospel Liberty*.

3. We recommend that the books advertised in the CHRISTIAN SUN, and offered for sale by Prof. E. L. Moffitt, of Elon College, N. C., be circulated among and carefully read by our people.

4. We recommend the reading and study of good, safe, sound books, magazines and papers from the many beautiful and spiritual writers of our time.

5. We recommend and urge upon all a careful and prayerful study of God's Word, the Book of Books, the source of all light and life.

The Bible is teeming with history, radiant with phophesy, beautiful with poetry, and glowing with Gospel truth.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. KAGEY,
D. J. SIPE,
I. W. LISKEY,
C. A. HINTON.

On motion the Chair appointed C. A. Hinton, Samuel Earman and T. H. Showalter a committee on finances.

The Treasurer's Report was read and adopted as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

HOME MISSIONS.

1899. Sept. 3	Balance on hand and collections last year		$ 134 11
	By amount paid C H. Swank	$ 12 50	
	By amount paid W. T. Herndon	25 00	
	By amount paid C. M. Association	20 00	
			57 50
	Balance in notes on hand		76 61
	To amount of collections this year		48 36
	Balance on hand		$124 97

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

1899. Sept. 3	To collections last year		37 98
	By amount paid R. H. Peel	38 75	
	To amount to balance		77
			38 75
	To collections this year	43 50	

CONTINGENT FUND.

1899. Sept. 3	To collections last year	$ 16 05	
	To amount of collections this year	$ 12 35	
			$ 28 40
	By amount paid J. S. Kagey	$ 5 00	
	By amount paid E. L. Moffitt	11 05	
			16 05
	To balance on hand		$ 12 35

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

1869, Sept. 3	To amount on hand last year		$ 32 25
	By amount paid J. S. Martz	$ $4 50	
	By amount paid W. H. Sipe	3 00	
			$ 750
	Balance ou hand in notes and cash		$ 24 75
	To collections this year		14 85
	Total in hand		$ 39 60

PUBLISHING HOUSE FUND.

	To amount on hand		$ 15 10
	To collections this year		
	Total in hand		

C. D. MAPHIS, Treasurer.

Standing Committees were appointed by the Chair as follows:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Executive Committee—W. H. Sipe, T. H. Showalter, J. S. Martz.

Home Missions—T. H. Showalter, W. H. Sipe, M. L. Bryant, J. S. Kagey.

Foreign Missions—Miss Mary Pickering, Ida Wampler, Samantha White and Emma R. S. Rhodes.

Moral Reform—M. L. Bryant, S. W. Lincoln and D. C. Golladay.

Sunday Schools—D. J. Sipe, J. S. Martz and N. B. Holsinger.

Foreign Missions—Miss Mary Pickering, Miss Mamie Summers, Mrs Bertie Argenbright and Mrs. Mollie Liskey.

Moral Reform—M. L. Bryant, R. A. Hinton, Samuel Earman, D. C. Golladay.

Religious Literature—J. S. Kagey, D. J. Sipe, J. W. Liskey and C. A. Hinton.

The Home Mission Report was read, discussed and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF HOME MISSION COMMITTEE.

We, your Committe on Home Missions, submit the following: Amount of collections for the year ending September 1, 1899: Antioch, $12.75;

Linville, $5.10; Bethlehem, $9.00; Concord, $2.57; New Hope, $17.10; Wood's Chapel, $1.40; Woodland, 50c., making a total of $48.36, or $3.99 less than last year. Sorry, indeed, are we to know that this is the case, realizing the importance of the same; therefore we recommend—

1. That the churches pay the following amounts: Antioch, $18.00; Bethlehem. $15.00; Linville, $12.00; Concord, $5.00; New Hope, $15.00; Woodland, $5.00; Mt. Grove, $2.50; Wood's Chapel, $2.50; Mayland, $1.00; Mt. Olivet, $1.00; Beulah, $1.00.

2. That we renew the two memberships in the Missionary Association.

3. That there be also a committee of one or more appointed to collect the stated amounts for Home Missions in each church.

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. BRYANT,
THOS. H. SOWALTER.

Prof. E. L. Moffitt and Rev. W. T. Herndon spoke in behalf of the Christian Missionary Association after which Conference agreed to take one more membership in said Association.

The committee appointed yesterday to formulate plans to raise money due Elon College, and Bro. J. S. Martz offered the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

We, your committee appointed to arrange for the liquidation of the Conference dues, namely, seventy-five dollars ($75) to Elon College, and seventy-five dollars ($75) due Bro. J. S. Martz, making a total of one hundred and fifty dollars ($150). We recommend for the first item the following apportionment for the churches then members of the Conference: Antioch, Linville, Bethlehem and New Hope, $16.50 each; and Concord $9.00, and that the pastors of the churches named be requested to appoint a committee of one or more to solicit said amount, and turn over to the Treasurer of Conference, to be forwarded to the proper authorities at Elon College.

And for the second item we recommend that the money now in the treasury for educational purposes be paid to Bro. J. S. Martz and credited on bond held by him.

C. A. HINTON,
M. L. BRYANT,
C. D. MAPHIS.

The Committee on Resolutions offered the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Realizing our loss, as a Conference, of our friend and brother, Rev. D. T. Deans, we therefore wish to express our appreciation of his earnest labors within the bounds of our Conference. Under his ministry Bethlehem Church was repaired, Antioch Church, we are informed, was rebuilt, and much work was done by him of which the world will never know. He served the churches of this Conference faithfully for four years, to the honor and glory of God.

Resolved, That we bow in humble submission to the Divine will, feeling that our loss is his gain.

2. That we place on record the expression of our love and esteem for our departed co-worker in the Master's vineyard.

3. That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family in this dark hour, assuring them that God will be a Father to the fatherless and a husband to the widow.

4. That a copy of these resolutions be placed on our records, that a copy be sent to the CHRISTIAN SUN for publication, and a copy of the same be sent to the bereaved family.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. MARTZ,
R. A. HINTON,
T. H. SHOWALTER.

On motion Prof. J. J. Lincoln was elected to deliver the next Annual Address, with Rev. L. L. Lassiter as his alternate.

On motion the Secretary was instructed to have the minutes of Conference printed in the CHRISTIAN ANNUAL.

On Motion Conference extended a vote of thanks to the members and friends of New Hope Church for hospitalities received during this session.

Conference elected the following delegates to the Christian Missionary Association: Mrs. Ella Moffitt, Mrs. Florence V. Peel and Mrs. Ada A. Iseley.

On motion the Treasurer was ordered to forward all money in his hands for Foreign Mission purposes to J. A. Mills, Treasurer of Southern Christian Convention.

On motion of Bro. C. A. Hinton, Conference ordered $5 of the Contingent Fund to be paid to the Secretary for his services, and the remainder of said fund ($7.35) to be paid to E. L. Moffitt for printing the minutes of Conference, and the remaining part of $15 for printing minutes be apportioned among the churches as follows: Antioch, Bethlehem, Concord, Linville, and New Hope, $1.25 each; Woodland and Wood's Chapel, 70c. each.

Conference adjourned to meet at Antioch at 10 o'clock A. M. on Thursday before the first Sunday in September 1900.

S. W. LINCOLN, President,
Lacy Springs, Va.
D. J. SIPE, Vice-President,
Melrose, Va.

J. S. KAGEY, Secretary,
Harrisonburg, Va.
J. C. BRADFORD, Assistant Secretary.
Tenth Legion, Va.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Pastors.	Secretaries and Postoffices.	No Reported Last Session.	Received Since.	Dismissed.	Withdrawn.	Died.	Expelled.	Present Membership.	Paid Pastor.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Conference Fund.	Other Purposes.	Total.	Value of Church Property.
Antioch	L. L. Lassiter	J. S. Kagey, Harrisonburg, Va	99	1	1	...	2	...	97	$ 97 00	$12 75	$11 81	$ 6 25	$ 4 20	$11 07	$ 143 08	$ 2,000 00
Bethlehem	L. L. Lassiter	A. B. Martz, Mauzy, Va	64	4	1	...	...	...	67	59 20	9 00	7 78	3 25	4 00	...	83 23	1,000 00
Beulah	W. T. Herndon	Edward Micheal, Keezeltown, Va	15	...	1	...	1	...	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Concord	L. L. Lassiter	J. C. Huffman, Hupp, Va	33	...	...	...	...	...	33	14 22	2 51	2 51	...	1 20	...	20 44	500 00
Linville	L. L. Lassiter	C. E. Beery, Melrose, Va	65	5	1	1	1	4	63	59 80	5 10	4 36	50	3 70	1 65	75 11	1,000 00
Mt. Grove	S. L. Baugher	W. S. Cline, Montevideo, Va	18	...	...	...	...	...	18	6 00	...	...	...	...	...	6 00	200 00
Mt. Olivet	W. T. Herndon	Geo. Lilly	...	12	...	...	...	...	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mayland	W. T. Herndon	J. D. Hilliard, Mayland, Va	...	13	...	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
New Hope	E. T. Iseley	I. W. Liskey, Harrisonburg, Va	48	7	...	...	1	...	54	75 00	17 10	17 10	1 05	2 00	2 33	114 58	1,000 00
Woodland	A. G. B. Powers	Alfred W. Andes, Weyers Cave, Va	22	1	...	1	...	4	18	25 00	50	...	...	...	...	25 50	800 00
Woods Chapel	A. G. B. Powers	Nettie S. Neff, New Market, Va	21	1	...	...	1	1	20	25 00	1 40	...	...	...	...	26 40	650 00
Total			3 85	44	4	2	6	9	408	$ 361 22	$48 36	$43 56	$ 4 05	$15 10	$15 05	$ 494 34	$ 7,150 00

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference

HELD AT

Pleasant Grove, Chambers County, Alabama.

OCTOBER 19, 1899.

Conference was called to order at 2 P. M., by Rev. C. M. Dollar, President of last session.

Ministers present: J. D. Elder, T. H. Elder, W. R. Knight, J. W. Elder, C. M. Dollar, M. F. Lett, J. D. Garrison, J. E. Williams, H. W. Elder and G. D. Hunt.

Licentiates: B. F. Young, E. M. Carter and J. A. Coats.

Churches and delegates:

Beulah—G. G. Croley, E. M. Gay, C. W. Carter, E. L. Mann and J. W. Payne.

Antioch—R. M. Brown, B. Brown and Oscar Strickland.

Pleasant Grove—John Gibson, T. J. Lett and L. Mooney.

New Harmony—D. E. Knight, D. F. Vincent and T. L. Orr.

Providence Chapel—O. S. Woods.

Beulah (Jirard)—J. L. Elder.

Union Grove—H. O. Wallace and H. M. Johns.

Mt. Zion—T. S. Keeble and W. J. Osborn.

Forest Home—W. L. Smith and J. L. Smith.

Rock Springs—W. J. Clark.

McGuire's Chapel—A. P. Hunt, Z. E. Veazy, R. R. Brown, G. W. Gillum and B. E. Birchfield.

Christiana—A. L. Jennings and Thomas Bryan.
Bethlehem—W. L. Howard.
Union Chapel—J. W. Patterson and W. L. Ward.
Union Hill—By letter.
Christian Home—H. T. Rotten and Samuel Richardson.
Bethany—T. S. Gamble.
Corinth—J. T. Johnson and W. J. Johnson.
Mt. Carmel—J. W. Coggins.
Macedonia—J. W. Elder, Sr., and D. M. Spears.
New Home—
Oak Grove—J. T. Murphy and J. H. Smith.
Brown's Springs—R. H. Reynolds and S. J. Alison.

A quorum being present, Conference proceeded to the election of the following officers:

President—Rev. J. W. Elder.
Vice-President—Rev. W. R. Knight.
Secretary—J. W. Payne.
Assistant Secretary—C. W. Carter.
Treasurer—S. N. Sledge.

Bro. C. W. Carter was appointed as choirster for the Conference.

On motion, the President filled vacancies.

On motion, Rev. M. L. Hurley, of the Eastern Virginia Conference, was invited to a seat with us as a deliberative member, who responded with appropriate remarks.

On motion, the Conference decided to use the same Order of Business adopted at the last session, except that we would have preaching at 11 A. M. instead of at 3 P. M.

The following were appointed to arrange for preaching during this session: Bros. J. W. Patterson, John Gibson and E. M. Gay.

Upon a call for applications for membersip in the Conference, the following churches asked for membership, and were admitted: Noon-Day, of Randolph County, Ala.; Folsom's Chapel, of Tallapoosa County, Ala.; Smith's Chapel, of Troup County, Ga.; Oakland, of Clay County, Ala.

The Committee on Arrangements for Preaching submitted the following report:

Preaching to-morrow at 11 A. M. by Rev. J. W. Elder, and at 3. P. M. by Rev. W. R. Knight. E. M. GAY, *Chairman.*

On motion, Conference adjourned to meet to-morrow at 8 A. M.

SECOND DAY.

Conference opened at 8:30 A. M., with the President in the chair.

Minutes of yesterday's work read and approved.

On motion, Rev. ——McCay, of the Congregational Methodist Church was envited to a seat with us as a deliberative member.

On motion, church letters were called for, read and adopted.

It was decided that the Committee on Home Missions should report immediately afternoon to-day.

Ministerial Reports read, and after discussion by Revs. H. W. Elder and M. L. Hurley was adopted.

On motion, it was decided that this Conference would take one membership in the Christian Missionary Association, and ten dollars was raised to pay the membership fee.

On motion, Rev. M. L. Hurley was elected to represent this Conference in the Association at its next session.

On motion, Conference adjourned for preaching by Rev. J. W. Elder.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 3:35 P. M. Conference opened with President in the chair.

On motion, the following delegates were enrolled: From Christian Home, H. T. Rotten and Samuel Richardson; Christiana, A. L. Jennings and Thomas Bryan.

The Committee on Home Missions submitted the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

We, your Committee on Home Missions, report the following:

While we think all the subjects that will come before this body of vital interest, we think at the present time that the Home Mission work overshadows all others. It does seem to us that the fields are whiter than ever before, and we think that we have great reason to be encouraged. Our Home Mission work this year has doubled any previous year's work since the Home Mission work was inaugurated in our Conference.

All that is necessary is for us to keep our principles prominently before the people, and we will soon take our position side by side with the leading denominations of the day.

We now submit this to you for your consideration, for you to decide whether there shall be one or two men placed in the field next year.

J. D. ELDER, *Chairman.*

After discussion by G. D. Hunt, S. N. Sledge, J. D. Elder, H. W. Elder and E. M. Gay.

On motion, each speaker was limited to five minutes. Discussion continued by J. W. Paterson and C. W. Carter.

H. W. Elder offered an amendment, which was lost.

The discussion was then continued by J. W. Elder, Sr., B. F. Young and C. M. Dollar.

It was decided by vote that we would allow each minister in the Conference to do Home Mission work, each to submit an itemized report of the work he has done at the close of each quarter to the following Supervising Committee: J. W. Payne, D. E. Knight, S. N. Sledge, W. L. Howard and C. H. Stephenson, whose duty it shall be to investigate each report, and pay from the Home Mission fund each minister for services rendered, if found to be profitable to the Conference.

On motion, Rev. M. L. Hurley was appointed to preach the Annual Sermon to-morrow at 11 A. M.

It was decided by a vote that the next session of this Conference would be held with Beulah Church, Truett, Ala.

Bro. J. W. Manning and Rev. H. W. Elder were elected as delegates to the Southern Christian Convention.

On motion, Revs. C. M. Dollar, H. W. Elder and G. D. Hunt were appointed a committee to draft resolution to the Southern Christian Convention, asking that body to allow this Conference to divide itself into two separate Conferences.

On motion, Conference adjourned to meet at 8 A. M. to-morrow.

THIRD DAY.

Conference opened at 8:45 A. M. with devotional services, rendered by Rev. H. W. Elder.

Minutes of yesterday's work read and approved.

The Executive Committee submitted the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

During the year we have transacted the following business:

1. The church at Langsdale recommended Bro. J. A. Coats to us for license as a probationer. The license was granted.

2. The church at Lanett recommended Bro. B. F. Young for ordination, but as Conference was so near at hand the matter has been deferred to that time. Bro. Young will appear before the Educational Committee for examination.

G. D. HUNT, *Chairman.*

The report on the Standing of the Ministry was read, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STANDING OF MINISTRY.

We, your Committee on Standing of the Ministry beg leave to make our report:

After enquiring after the standing of the ministers of our Conference, and their work, we find them mostly engaged in active service. Rev. Jubilee Smith was reported dead, but the report has not been verified, he is in Texas. Bros. Malone and Orr are in Texas and we have no report of their work. Bros. D. G. Horn, W. A. Fl tcher and C. W. Swan, are not in attendance. If they are not represented by letter before the session

ends, we would recommend that the Executive Committee be instructed to write to them and find their excuse for not attending, and if not valid, place them under charges before the next annual session. Bros. W. D. Davis and J. M. McConnell licentiates are not present, and if not represented, we recommend that the same Committee be instructed to look after them. The most of our ministers have done a faithful year's work.

H. W. ELDER,
W. R. KNIGHT,
J. E. WILLIAMS.

After discussion by H. W. Elder, M. L. Hurley, J. L. Elder and J. D. Elder, Bro. McConnel's name was dropped from the Ministerial list, and the Executive Committee was instructed to look after Bro. Horn.

Report was adopted.

The Committee on Foreign Missions submitted their report, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We, your Committee on Foreign Missions, submit the following report: There is no subject that should receive greater attention from this body than that of Foreign Missions. The privilege of carrying the Gospel of Christ to the heathen should be esteemed one of the greatest privileges of the Church of God. Our Mission work in Japan is prospering. We have five missionaries and seven native preachers over there, and others waiting to be sent.

Brethren, let us come up to the help of the Lord against the mighty. We recommend that Conference raise $50.00 next year for Foreign Missions.

G. D. HUNT, *Chairman.*

After discussion by G. D. Hunt and M. F. Lett the report was adopted.

It was decided, by motion, that we would have our minutes published in the CHRISTIAN ANNUAL.

The Committee on Standing of Churches handed in the following report, which was discussed by H. W. Elder and E. M. Gay, and adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STANDING OF CHURCMES.

We, your Committee on Standing of the Churches, beg leave to report that we have inquired after their condition, and find all except two in good condition spiritually, but in so good a condition financially.

E. M. GAY, *Chairman.*

The Committee on Sonday Schools handed in their report, which was as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We believe that the Sunday School work is one of the means in the hands of the Master to bring souls into His Church, and that no church can possibly enjoy that spiritual life and growth that is necessary to Christian development without manifesting a proper interest in the Sunday School work. We believe that our Sunday School Convention is worthy of our attendance and support.

We recommend that all our Sunday Schools use our own literature, and we heartily recommend that every minister preach Sunday School, and that every church organize and maintain a good Sunday School.

E. M. CARTER, *Chairman.*

After discussion by E. M. Carter, J. W. Elder and W. R. Knight, it was adopted.

On motion, Rev. T. H. Elder was appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon before this body at the next session.

A collection was taken up for the benefit of Bro. John Coggins; $5.96.

[NOTE.—Bro. Coggins died on the 20th, Tuesday after Conference.]

On motion, Conference adjourned for the Annual Sermon, to be preached by Rev. M. L. Hurley.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 3:30 P. M. Conference opened with the President in the chair.

The following report on Religious Literature was read, and after discussion by Rev. M. L. Hurley, it was adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We, your Committee on Religious Literature, beg leave to make our report:

In this age of thought and learning we must read, or be left behind among the nonprogressive, who drag out a miserable existence, with but

little good accomplished. The world is filled to-day with literature, both good and bad. The religious world is doing a great and good work in furnishing literature of a religious character for the reading public. Every church its their religious periodicals, which are full of interesting reading matter. Itemized accounts of the general work are furnished weekly to inspire the servant of God in his work. Sermons of the ablest pulpit orators and divines are brought within the reach of all people. Though they may be in the rural districts—away from the church—yet these weekly visits of religious news bring them in touch with the whole work of the Church. We have the CHRISTIAN SUN, coming out every week, in the interest of people and church. It is full of the best thoughts of our greatest and best men and women. It gives just such matter as all our people need to read. The *Christian Missionary*, which is devoted to the mission interest of our Church, is worthy of our hearty support. The *Herald of Gospel Liberty* is one of our best periodicals, and it will do us all good to read its newsy columns. Parents should see that their homes are supplied with the best of literature. It is hard to keep people interested in religious work that don't read religious literature. We recommend that all our Sunday Schools use our own literature for two reasons

1. Because it as good as the best.
2. It is our duty to patronize our own publishing house.

We further recommend that first of all, the Bible be read and studied. Anything that throws light on the Bible, or helps to explain it, is to be accepted as worthy of our reading and study.

We further recommend that our ministers supply themselves with such books and magazines as will help them in sermonizing. We need to scatter more of our denominational literature among the reading public. Let our principles be more widely known. "Facing the Truth" has helped us very much in our Conference. It makes a good missionary. "Christians Not Disciples," sets us right before the world. The preacher and pastor must push this part of our work.

H. W. ELDER,
C. M. DOLLAR,
J. A. COATS.

The following report on Education was read, and after discussion by M. L. Hurley, H. W. Elder, C. M. Dollar and E. M. Gay, it was adopted:

EDUCATIONAL REPORT.

We, your Gommittee on Education beg leave to submit the following report:

Every day and every year reveals to us the fact more clearly that we *must* educate as a people, as a denomination and more especially as a *ministry*. Therefore, we recommend,

1st, That Rev. B. F. Young be ordained to the office of an Elder in the Christian Church.

2nd, That Bro. Coats' ordination be deferred at least another year.

3rd, That Bro. Tatem be granted license to preach the gospel.

4th, That Bro. Carter be sent to Elon College, N. C.

5th, That Conference raise $100.00 for Educational purposes another year.

C. M. DOLLAR,
H. W. ELDER,
G. D. HUNT.

On motion, it was decided that this Conference would raise $175.00 next year for Home Missions.

The following resolution of thanks was offered by W. H. Elder, which was adopted:

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

Resolved, That we offer to this church and community our heartfelt thanks for their hearty support during the sitting of this body.

The following standing committees were appointed:

Executive—Revs. G. D. Hunt, C. M. Dollar and H. W. Elder.

Sunday School—J. W. Payne, J. J. Carter and W. D. Michoel.

Moral Reform—S. N. Sledge, W. R. Knight and E. M. Gay.

Standing of Churches—T. H. Elder, B. F. Young and G. W. Chewning.

Standing of Ministry—J. D. Elder, M. F. Lett and J. A. Tatem.

Home Missions—J. W. Elder, Sr., J. D. Garrison and H. W. Elder.

Foreign Missions—E. M. Gay, W. L. Howard and J. E. Williams.

Education—G. D. Hunt, H. W. Elder and J. W. Manning.

Religious Literature—C. M. Dollar, J. L. Elder and C. W. Carter.

The following were appointed as a Presbytery to ordain

Bro. B. F. Young to-morrow morning, to-wit: Revs. H. W. Elder, W. R. Knight and M. L. Hurley.

There being no further business, Conference adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock A. M., Thursday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1900, with Beulah Church, Truett Ala.

Preaching Sunday at 11 A M. by Rev. M. L. Hurley.

REV. J. W. ELDER, PRESIDENT.

J. W. PAYNE, *Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

	RECEIPTS.		
October 21.	For Home Missions	$ 141 20	
	For Foreign Missions	32 40	
	For minutes	17 50	
	Christian Missionary Association	10 00	
	DISBURSEMENTS.		
	M. L. Hurley, Foreign Missions		$ 32 40
	For minutes		17 50
	Christian Missionary Association		10 00
	Amount of Home Missions in Bank of Roanoke		141 20
	Total amounts	$ 201 10	$ 201 10

S. N. SLEDGE, Treasurer.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

PREACHERS.	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.	Number Sermons.	Number Lectures.	Prayer Meetings.	No. received into church.	Funeral Sermons.	Marriages.	Pastoral Visits.	Salary Received.	Number Miles Traveled.
H. W. Elder	Phœnix City, Ala	223	5	87	118	4	3	200	$ 420 00	3,300
W. R. Knight	Peavy, Ala	----	----	----	11	---	3	55	141 50	960
T. H. Elder	Mill Town, Ala	130	----	----	14	6	4	----	47 33	2,168
C. M. Dollar	Lime, Ala	----	----	----	----	----	--	----	28 05	--------
J. D. Elder	Mill Town, Ala	120	4	----	48	17	4	----	----------	2,214
G. D. Hunt	Elmuckfaw, Ala	85	----	----	50	----	2	----	195 00	1,200
M. F. Lett	Claton, Ala	47	7	43	4	----	--	----	----------	879
J. E. Williams	Langdale, Ala	42	1	16	----	1	5	----	----------	696
J. D. Garison		87	17	----	17	2	2	35	76 00	1,050
J. W. Elder	Ofelia, Ala	85	----	----	27	4	5	----	106 00	1,797
T. J. Edmonson	Talbut, Ala	----	----	----	----	----	--	----	----------	--------
C. W. Swann	Buckeye, Ala	----	----	---	----	----	2	----	----------	--------
Robert Lesley		----	----	----	----	----	--	----	----------	--------
B. F. Young	West Point, Ga	57	15	64	25	3	1	65	27 70	1.334
J. A. Coats	Langdale, Ala	10	2	15	----	---	--	----	----------	258
E. M. Carter	Truett, Ala	18	2	17	2	----	--	----	----------	200
C. G. Malone	In Texas	----	----	----	----	----	--	----	----------	--------
J. B. Orr	In Texas	----	----	----	----	----	--	----	----------	--------

NOTE.—Some of the ministers made no report at all; and but very few made their reports in full, for that reason this table gives neither them nor the churches justice.—*Secretary.*

STATISTICAL TABLE SHOWING REPORTS FOR 1899 AND ASSESSMENTS FOR 1900.

CHURCHES.	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND POSTOFFICE.	No Last Reported.	Received Since.	No. Dismissed.	No. Expelled.	No. Died.	Present Number.	Paid Pastor.	Home Missions.	Foreign Mission.	Minutes.	Other Purposes	No in Sunday School	Value of Church Property	Home Missions for 1900	Foreign Mission for 1900	Education for 1900
Antioch	J. D. Elder	W H Abbott, Double Head, Ala	87	1	...	1	1	50	$ 15 33	$ 6 10	$ ...	$ 90	...	...	$ 600 00	$ 5 00	$ 1 75	$ 3 13
Beulah	G. D. Hunt	Charley Bailey, Truett, Ala	109	16	3	...	...	121	60 00	16 35	3 82	2 20	25 00	1 10	500 00	13 30	4 25	7 56
Beulah (Jirard)	H. W. Elder	J J Beard, Jirard, Ala	131	43	1	3	1	178	83 00	12 00	1 80	60	50 00	61	600 00	19 58	6 75	11 13
Bethlehem	T. H. Elder	W F Knight, West Point, Ga	46	15	9	1	1	50	49 10	6 00	2 00	50	2 40	40	...	5 50	1 75	3 13
Bethany	T. H. Elder	G M Holder, Lime, Ala	42	10	2	4	...	48	...	3 80	1 25	40	8 00	30	450 00	3 28	1 68	3 00
Brown Spring	H. W. Elder	L B Lawrence	38	28	...	1	..	66	50 00	57	1 14	40	5 00	26	50 00	7 00	2 31	4 13
Corinth	W. R. Knight	...	39	...	...	...	...	20	7 32	...	...	10	...	...	...	2 20	70	1 25
Christiana	J. D. Garison	W A Ginnings, Tehopka, Ala	73	1	8	4	...	52	34 15	...	...	...	...	...	300 00	5 72	1 82	3 25
Christian Home	W. R. Knight	...	59	...	..	...	..	59	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	6 49	2 06	3 69
Forest Home	T. H. Elder	T J Smith	49	2	...	...	1	50	19 05	3 15	25	40	3 06	50	600 00	5 50	1 75	3 13
McGuire's Chapel	G. D. Hunt	Z E Veasy, Emuchfaw, Ala	112	14	...	1	...	104	33 00	8 40	3 75	60	...	...	300 00	11 45	3 64	6 50
Mt. Zion	C. M. Dollar	W H George, Peavy, Ala	69	5	1	2	...	71	23 30	7 50	25	80	10 00	...	300 00	7 81	2 49	4 44
Mt. Carmel	M. F. Lett	J W Coggins, Clanton, Ala	9	4	2	...	...	11	...	27	...	30	...	...	...	1 21	39	69
Macedonia	J. W. Elder	L L Watts, Buck Eye, Ala	37	4	2	...	...	39	3 50	5 50	...	1 10	...	30	350 00	4 29	1 37	2 64
New Hope	J. W. Elder	...	174	10	5	2	...	130	63 35	21 60	12 10	2 65	30 00	24	800 00	4 30	4 55	8 12
New Harmony	J. W. Elder	...	104	13	6	8	3	101	24 75	13 75	...	1 15	...	...	1000 00	11 11	3 54	6 31
New Home	J. T. Edmonson	...	60	...	...	...	...	60	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6 60	2 10	3 75
Oak Grove	H. W. Elder	Miss Mattie Bass	16	40	...	...	...	56	80 00	6 50	75	1 20	650 00	30	600 00	1 16	1 96	4 10
Providence Chapel	H. W Elder	G R Able	87	5	1	1	...	91	100 00	9 20	35	1 10	10 00	40	600 00	10 01	3 20	5 70
Pleasant Grove	G. D. Hunt	J R Orr, Marcoot, Ala	64	17	6	3	3	69	30 00	...	1 35	1 50	...	25	300 00	7 59	2 42	4 31
Rock Springs	T. H. Elder	C C Hensby, Carn House, Ala	70	1	7	1	...	63	20 35	6 60	1 20	60	4 50	30	300 00	6 95	2 20	3 95
Union Grove	C. M. Dollar	Amos Holladay, Stroud, Ala	29	4	4	1	...	20	4 75	4 55	87	50	7 50	42	300 00	2 20	70	1 25
Union Hill	J. D. Garison	J M Clem	20	6	..	...	...	26	25 65	...	...	...	1 25	45	15 00	2 86	91	1 62
Noon Day	...	J M Carpenter, Wedowee, Ala	...	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1 55	50	87
Oakland	J. D. Elder	John H Short, Cherry, Ala	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	...	...	40	...	...	...	1 32	45	75
Smith's Chapel	B. F. Young	S H Prather, LaGrange, Ga	...	...	...	...	...	18	4 25	1 00	20	50	...	...	...	2 00	63	1 13
Folsom's Chapel	J. D. Garison	J Blackman	...	...	...	...	...	10	12 00	...	...	...	...	...	...	1 10	35	63
Union Chapel	G. D. Hunt	...	85	4	34	..	...	55	72 00	61 55	2 61	1 25	50 00	30	...	6 05	1 75	3 45

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

SEVENTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

EASTERN ✣ VIRGINIA ✣ CHRISTIAN ✣ CONFERENCE,

HELD AT

WAVERLY, VA.

WAVERLY, SUSSEX CO., VA., October 31, 1899.

The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference met here to-day with the Christian Church in its seventy-ninth annual session. In the absence of the President of last session, the Secretary called the body to order.

Rev. H. H. Butler conducted religious services.

Enrollment as follows:

Elders: J. P. Barrett, H. H. Butler, J. W. Harrell, J. T. Kitchen, N. G. Newman, M. P. Porten, W. W. Staley.

Delegates:

Bethlehem—J. W. Folk.

Cypress Chapel—Walter Briggs, H. A. Rountree.

Damascus—J. R. Corbett, K. C. Rountree.

Eure's—Jno. S. Felton.

Holland—P. C. Holland, A. L. Holland, W. H. Jernigan,

Holy Neck—A. T. Holland.

Liberty Spring—I. T. Byrd.

Mt. Zion—R. A. Fields, R. H. Crittenden.

Norfolk—M. J. W. White, E. W. Spivey, A. M. Eley.

Suffolk—W. T. Duke, J. E. West.

Waverly—C. D. West.

Windsor—F. C. Roberts.

Officers were elected as follows: Rev. N. G. Newman, President; Rev. I. W. Johnson, Assisstant Secretary.

On motion the order of business, as published in the Annual of 1897, was adopted for use of the present session.

The time for the annual address having arrived, per request it was deferred until this evening 7:30 o'clock.

The certificate of transfer of Rev. R. H. Peel from the Virginia Valley Conference was read and on motion he was received as an Elder in this Conference.

Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Editor of the *Christian Sun*, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

On motion the front seats were designated for delegates.

The pastor, delegates of this church, and J. W. West were constituted a committee on Religious Services.

It was moved and carried, that after to-day we have religious services twice a day; also, that there be religious services for a half hour every morning before the business of Conference begins.

A. M. Eley and J. E. West were appointed collectors to receive funds sent up by the churches. Church letters were called for and some responded.

On motion the letters that were handed in were read.

Ministerial reports were received from Revs. W. W. Staley, N. G. Newman. J. E. West and Rev. R. H. Peel were appointed to aid the Assistant Secretary in reporting the proceedings of this body the *Norfolk Landmark*, *Virginian Pilot*, and Richmond papers.

Delegate J. T. Harris from Waverly, and J. J. Faison from Spring Hill were enrolled.

Fraternal messengers to the various conferences reported.

Fraternal messengers were elected as follows:

To Eastern N. C. Conference—Revs. W. W. Staley, J. T. Kitchen.

To Western N. C. Conference—Revs. H. H. Butler, M. W. Butler.

To Va. Valley Conference—Revs. R. H. Peel, J. T. Kitchen.

To Ga. and Ala. Conference—Rev. H. L. Hurley.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

1. On November 22, 1898, at his reqnest, we granted Dr. W. S. Long a letter of transfer to the North Carolina and Virginia Conference.

2. On July 21, 1898, we appointed Rev. H. H. Butler to license Bro. D. P. Barrett.

3. Rev. R. Charnock asks that his name be allowed to remain upon the Conference roll for another year, in which time he hopes to be able to adjust all differences between him and the Conference, and asks for an honerable dismission. We recommend that his request be granted.

W. W. STALEY,
N. G NEWMAN,
H. H. BUTLER.

Report adopted.

Dr. W. W Staley was requested to extend the sympathy of this conference to Rev. Roger Charnock.

On motion, Rev. I. W. Johnson was appointed a committee to receive nominations of place for holding the next session.

Rev. M. P. Porter was elected to deliver the annual address at the next session, with Rev. N. G. Newman as his alternate.

J. E. West, Revs. J. T. Kitchen and R. H. Peel were constituted a committee to revise church letters, ministerial reports, and Conference slips.

Adjourned for dinner. Benediction by Rev. J. W. Harrell

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order by the President.

The chair appointed M. J. W. White and Dr. J. P. Barrett a Committee on Finance.

Dr. W. W. Staley, Rev. H. H. Butler, Rev. J. W. Harrell, J. W. Folk and Jno. S. Felton were appointed a committee

To N. C. and Va. Conference—Revs. M. L. Hurley, J. W. Harrell.

on nomination for delegates to the Southern Christian Convention.

The report of the Treasurer was received and on motion referred to the Committee on Finance.

Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Mission Secretary of the Christian Missionary Association was granted thirty minutes to present to this body the claims of the Association—the time of presentation to be left to the discretion of the President and Mission Secretary.

The following schedule was adopted:

Meet at 9:30 A. M., adjourn 1 o'clock P. M. for dinner; reassemble 2 o'clock P. M. and adjourn at will.

Dr. J. P. Barrett was appointed to fill vacancy in Committee on Home Missions.

The Committee on Religious Services made the following announcement:

Preaching Wednesday at 12 o'clock M., by Rev. H. H. Butler, and at night by Rev. W. W, Staley, D. D.; preaching Thursday at 12 o'clock M., by Rev. J. T. Kitchen, at night by Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D.; preaching Friday at 12 o'clock M. by Rev. I. W. Johnson, and at night by Rev. N. G. Newman.

After announcements by the Committee on Entertainment Conference adjourned until to-morrow morning 9:30 o'clock.

SECOND DAY.

After religious worship, conducted by Rev. J. T. Kitchen, Conference convened with the President in the chair.

The roll of ministers and delegates was called, and minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Rev. M. W. Butler delivered the annual address last night basing his remarks on John 1:6. His discourse was listened to with marked attention and received very favorable comment.

Rev. W. E. Allen, of the M. E. Church South, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

The following delegates were enrolled:

Suffolk, S. J. Carr; Providence, R. A. Hyslop and F. L. Portlock; Oakland, S. J. Saunders and J. R. Delk; Liberty Spring, B. R. Dowdy and J. T. Rawls; Windsor, C. T. Joyner; Berea (Nansemond), W. J. Lee and J. O. Lancaster; Union (Southampton), J. H. Gardner and W. H. Joyner; Holy Neck, J. E. Vincent, R. C. Norfleet and W. H. Norfleet; Isle of Wight Court House, R. L. Spivey; Sarem, S. J. Felton and W. H. Johnson; Mt. Carmele, R. E. Turner; Burton's Grove, J. J. Presson and Mrs. E. A. Bain; Damascus, G. J. Costen.

Church letters were called for and quite a number were handed in.

Judge J. F. West was enrolled as a delegate from Waverly.

Rev. J. W. Hart of the Baptist church was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

Ministerial reports were received as follows:

Elders—H. H. Butler, J. W. Harrell, M. L. Hurley, J. T. Kitchen.

Licentiates—I. W. Johnson, L. L. Lassiter.

S. W. Lincoln of Va. Valley Conference, and Rev. L. L. Lassiter were invited to seats as deliberative members.

The committee on Moral Reform submitted the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

This subject is so broad we can only hope to touch on the principal lines along which reform is needed. We see immorality and corruption stamped upon almost every phase of modern life. We see it in the political, social, industrial, commercial, business, scientific and religious world, and in the world of letters and art. The need of a great reformation is imminent. Whence shall we look for the moving power of this reformation! Shall we not look to the Church, the spirit-born and sealed institution of Almighty God? Within her dwells the Holy Ghost, the power of God, to regenerate the world and make possible a glorious reformation. Therefore it becomes the Church to use all her God-given

power to regenerate the world, and lead her members to the highest Christian life possible, and thus place before the world true samples of the Christ-life, so full of holiness and power that the gainsayers will be convinced and the desired results brought about.

We suggest that this body adopt the following as their attitude towards the evils so prevalent in our country;

1. That we urge our members to abstain from the use of all intoxicating drinks; that none buy or sell, manufacture or rent property for the business, or give their influence in any way to the saloon or the licensing of it.

2. That we urge our members to abstain from the use of tobacco.

3. That we acknowledge the deplorable condition of the Christian Sabbath, and that we staive for its recovery from the desecrating influences in the world of industry, the literary world and the fields of amusement; the working of men, excursions on trains, steamboats and wheels, opening of mails and reading of secular papers, and whatever leads our people the house of God.

4. That we express our unqualified disapprobation of all corrupting forces, such as immoral associations, card playing, wheels of fortune, racing and futures in the great exchanges.

5. That we deplore and earnestly condemn the great social evils growing out of dancing, divorce, wine and card parties and whatever corrupts individual character and makes the home unchristian in practice and result.

6. That we enter our protest against commercial dishonesty, expressed in over-buying, under-paying, avoiding debt by legal quibbling and all forms of business that do not contain the elements of honesty.

7. That we express our unqualified condemnation of the abuses of the art of picture making, as seen in our current literature and upon calendars, posts, etc., and especially that feature which so dishoneors womanhood.

8. That we deplore the present tendency in the church towards worldliness and seek by all means to rescue her therefrom.

J. W. HARRELL,
M. W. BUTLER,
J. E. VINCENT.

Pending discussion of the above report the hour arrived for preaching. After preaching by Rev. H. H. Butler, Conference adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President in the chair.

The report on Moral Reform was taken up again.

After quite an animated discussion the report was adopted.

Delegates enrolled as follows:

O. M. Cockes, and A. J. Cotton from New Lebanon; from Emporia, J. W. Drake; from Centerville, W. M. Ferguson.

EDUCATIONAL REPORT.

Rev. Isaac Walter Johnson and Lucius Lee Lassiter, Licentiates, have labored successfully during the past year, and the churches to which they have ministered ask for their ordination. After careful examination of these candidates, as required by our government, we recommend these two brethren to you for ordination, and ask that the usual Ordaining Presbytery be appointed for that purpose and that they be ordained as Elders during this session of Conference.

In the absence of a President of the Conference (Rev. Dr. W. S. Long having been transferred by request to the North Carolina and Virginia Conference,) your committee, after examination of D. P. Barrett, requested Rev. H. H. Butler to license him on the 5th Sunday in July; and this was done on that day in Holland Church. Brother Barrett occupied his uncle's pulpit in Norfolk during August, and is now taking a post graduate course in the Vanderbilt University.

Geo. J. Green, C. C. Jones, J. M. Roberts, H. E. Rountree and W. C. McCloud are still in Elon College pursuing their studies.

Green, Jones and Roberts will no doubt graduate next June and we recommend that after graduation and a satisfactory examination by this committee that they be licensed by the President of this body or under his direction.

John T. Steel is still with the *Virginiana Pilot* as reporter from Berkley.

We recommend that Herbert Clifton Carroll, a member of the Memorial Christian Temple, in Norfolk, and recommended to us by that church, be entered upon the roll as a member of the Biblical Class.

We recommend the following appropriations for the present scholastic year:

George J. Green	$ 125 00
C. C. Jones	100 00
Hersey E. Rountree	75 00
	$ 300 00

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.

BILLS RECEIVABLE.		
Lucius Lee Lassiter	$ 500 00	
Isaac Walter Johnson	250 00	
		$ 750 00
ACCOUNTS.		
George J. Green	250 00	
D. P. Barrett	225 00	
C. C. Jones	200 00	
J. M. Roberts	100 00	
		775 00
Cash in bank		590 82
Total Assets		$ 2,115 82

Rev. N. G. Newman has paid balance on note	$ 190 00
Rev. R. H. Peel	99 50
Rev. I. W. Johnson paid on account	25 00
	$ 314 50

This is included in cash in bank.

By a misprint, interest was credited in our last report, under cash in bank with $137.50, which was paid by Rev. J. W. Harrell, his note in full, after report was made up.

We commend again to you favorable indorsement and support Elon College. This year, so far, is one of the best in its history. It has won a reputation that has surprised its most sanguine friends, and quieted its most outspoken enemies. It needs only the continued loyalty of the pastors and people of the church to assure its future growth and usefulness. No force is working so silently and potently for the permanent strength of our cause, and no institution or enterprise of our Convention has attracted such attention and called forth such commendation by the press and outside observers.

Obediently yours,

W. W. STALEY,
N. G. NEWMAN,
M. W. BUTLER.

Discussed by Dr. W. W. Staley and adopted.

Twelve o'clock to one Friday was set apart for the ordination of Revs. I. W. Johnson and L. L. Lassiter, instead of preaching as previously announced.

Revs. N. G. Newman, W. W. Staley, and J. P. Barrett were constituted the Ordaining Presbytery.

The Committee on Assessments submitted their report. The report was read and on motion referred back to the

Committee for adjustment to conform to the demands of the Southern Christian Convention.

The President was granted leave of absence to-morrow to conduct a funeral. On motion Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., was requested to act in his place during his absence.

The seating capacity of this church being too small for the attendance at the sessions of this body, on motion it was decided to hold the sessions on Thursday and Friday in the Town Hall.

The Committee on Entertainment made their announcements, after which Conference adjourned until to-morrow, 9:30 A. M.

THIRD DAY.

Religious Services were conducted by Rev. M. W. Butler, after which Conference met with Rev. W. W. Staley, in the chair.

Roll of ministers and delegates called. Minutes of yesterday's session read and approved.

Rev. J. W. Barrett arrived and was enrolled.

The following delegates were enrolled: Bethlehem, J. T. Williams; Berea (Norfolk), F. W. Curling, M. W. Hollowell, Franklin, I. W. Norfleet; Suffolk, C. A. Shoop.

Additional church letters were handed in.

Ministerial Reports were received from Revs. J. W. Harrell and J. W. Barrett.

Rev. A. D. Woodworth, one of our returned Missionaries from Japan, and Rufus King of the Friends' Church of N. C, were invited to seats as honorary members and requested to participate in the deliberations of this body at their pleasure.

The Committee on nomination of delegates to the Southern Christian Convention, submitted their report. On motion the report was adopted.

DELEGATES TO THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION.

Elders—J. P. Barrett, N. G. Newman, J. T. Kitchen, H. H. Butler, J. W. Harrell, W. W. Staley.

Alternates—M. P. Porter, R. H. Peel, I. W. Johnson, M. L. Hurley, J. W. Barrett, R. H. Holland.

Laymen—Judge J. F. West, E. E. Holland, Col. A. Savage, W. J. Lee, A. M. Eley, J. W. Folk.

Alternates—J. E. West, A. T. Holland, R. A. Hyslop, I. A. Luke, Geo. J. Costen, T. J. Lawrence.

From 11:30 o'clock to 12 to-day was made special order for the Secretary of the C. M. Association to present to this body the claims of this Association.

J. D. Pond and W. F. Richardson from Barretts were enrolled.

The report on Home Missions was offered.

Pending discussion of the report the time for special order arrived. Prof. E. L. Moffitt presented the claims of the Christian Missionary Association to this body and secured two memberships—one a gift from Rufus King, and the other from Conference.

At this time Conference suspended business for preaching and dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Dr. Staley presiding.

The report on Home Missions was passed by to be taken at the call of the chair.

Upon request, Rev. M. W. Butler was granted a letter of transfer to the Eastern N. C. Conference.

J. T. White was enrolled as a delegate to-day from Spring Hill.

W. H. Jones Jr., was enrolled as a delegate from Suffolk.

The Committee on revision of Blanks submitted their report and on motion it was adopted. (The report will be

embodied in blanks to be sent to ministers and churches the coming year—Secretary.)

The Secretary was directed to draw on the Treasurer for $20, the usual allowance for his services, and also $1.52, the amount of bill rendered.

The report on Home Missions was taken up and after an interesting discussion was adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

To the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference:

The object of the church of God is the salvation of souls. The extension of Christ's Kingdom in the world should be the central thought in the deliberations of our Conference. The prime and ultimate object of the Missionary is to plant Christianity, a Christianity that not only supports local churches, but desires others to be saved and is willing to contribute largely to that end. Under our progressive civilization and the inspiration of the Holy Ghost, new light has been thrown on the Scriptures as regards the subject of Missions, and we, as a denomination, are awakening from the lethargic position held by our forefathers for nearly the first century of our existence as a church. Being members of the Christian Church the work that we do for the spread of the Gospel should be done largely through the proper channels of our own denomination.

Being over one hundred years old the question naturally arises, why is it that the Christian Church has not increased more rapidly in membership? There are several reasons for this, among which we would say that the Christian Church has not been a Missionary Church until the last few years and that as a denomination we have not entered the cities, the centres of wealth, influence and population—fields where multitudes of men and women are dying for the need not of a doctrinal religion, but the pure Gospel Religion.

How to enlarge our Mission work is the question that should command our undivided attention and serious consideration, as well as our prayers. We feel grateful to our Heavenly Father for the many blessings vouchedsafe to us during the past year and that there is a greater interest in the Missionary work among our people, and that our contributions to Missions are increasing each year. That we should double our total contributions to Home Missions no one will deny. We should esteem it not only a duty but a privilege to contribute to this cause. We recommend the following:

1. That pastors preach at least one Missionary sermon at each church during the coming conference year.

2. That Missionary Societies be organized in all churches and pastors and delegates be requested to bring about such results.

3. That as the Christian Missionary Association has been and is doing a good work, we give it our hearty endorsement and support and continue the three memberships this Conference now holds in said Association. We urge upon individuals, Sunday Schools, Missionary Societies and Christian Endeavor Societies, the importance of taking memberships in that Association.

4. That we endorse the Missionary column in the *Christian Sun* and the *Christian Missionary* as worthy of our support and as valuable contributions to the Missionary literature of our church.

5. That one note of five hundred dollars ($500.00) and the interest, one hundred and twenty dollars ($120.00) now due on notes, making six hundred and twenty dollars ($620.00), be paid on account of the Christian Memorial Temple, of Norfolk, Va., which leaves a balance due on said church debt of fifteen hundred dollars ($1,500.00), divided in three notes of five hundred dollars ($500.00), each. If any surplus remains to the credit of the Home Mission Fund, we would advise an accumulation of same and as soon as practicable, that a Missionary be placed in some other commerical centre of our beloved State.

H. H. BUTLER,
N. G. NEWMAN,
J. E. WEST,
J. PRESSLEY BARRETT,
W. J. LEE.

Rev. J. T. Kitchen, Rev. R. H. Peel, J. E. Vincent, and Jno S. Felton were appointed delegates to represent this Conference in the Christian Missionary Association.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

This is an age of widest reading, but facts compel us to fear that many in the church do not select the best. A multiform secular press floods society with bad so mixed with good as to deceive the very elect. This doubtful matter is so cheap, so decorated, and so frequent as to win the mass of men, and thus the majority unconsciously stand on the side of popular literature. Public sentiment is swayed by secular interest and pictorial illustration, and the young are carried by this tide away from good papers and good books. Hence it requires effort to give religious literature the place it deserves in our church families. Hence we call the attention of leaders in religious thought and life to this great matter, because we believe that reading is the great moulding force in Christian civilization. The printing press has created a new battle-ground between the kingdom of truth and error. The first cost of reading matter may often deceive. The cheapest papers may cost the most in the end. It is doubtful whether we appreciate the importance of sound reading matter as the

safety of the church and the State. No age appeals with like emphasis to the Church to keep watch over the quiet reading hours of the young. Here is the forge where destiny is started and character is determined. The books, papers and pictures admitted into the home impress the mind as the die stamps the coin. In view of such facts we are freer to urge the adoption of the following:

1. The indorsement of the CHRISTIAN SUN, *The Herald of Gospel Liberty* and *The Christian Missionary*. These papers, issued by our own church, have claims upon us, and they present wholesome matter for Christian families. The SUN holds first place in the the constituency of this Conference, because it deals more directly with the interests and enterprises which we support. It represents our religious views, our denominational interests and the welfare of our homes. It is OUR paper and merits OUR SUPPORT.

2. The Bible is always first among books. After this the books written by our people and printed by our presses should be read. "The Principles and Government of the Christian Church" especially deserves to be read by members of the church. Denominational loyalty and usefulness grow out of familiarity with denominational thought and usage, and these may be learned most thoroughly from our own books. Loyalty to one's own church is consistent with broad views of fraternity in saving souls and improving society.

3. Still larger needs of life than those that pertain to denomination interests require investigation beyond the limits of the two preceding recommendation. Journalism and book-making have come to be large factors in the world's growth. The printing press has unlocked the store-house of truth and progressive bodies will enter and partake of the best. The scholars and saints of the past may be our teachers and exemplars, and we may learn of them and worship with them in the temple of our own souls. The typesetter paves the way for the human mind and heart, and we may walk the way crowded with thoughts and emotions from all time and all the world.

J. T. KITCHEN,
W. W. STALEG,
E. E. HOLLAND,
J. PRESSLEY BARRETT.

Discussed by Rev. J. T. Kitchen and Prof. E. L. Moffitt, and adopted.

The Committee on Foreign Missions asked that their report be deferred until to-morrow morning, and their request was granted.

After announcements, Conference adjourned to 9:30 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FOURTH DAY.

After Religious Services conducted by Rev. R. H. Peel, the President called the body to order.

The roll of ministers and delegates was called, and proceedings of yesterday's session read, corrected and approved.

Additional Ministerial Reports were handed in.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We have examined the reports of the Treasurer and Collectors and find them correct, being accompanied by vouchers for all disbursements.

J. PESSLEY BARRETT,
M. J. W. WHITE.

Adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

HOME MISSION FUND.

1898.				
Oct. 31	Balance reported	$ 50 94		
Nov. 4	Conference Collection	707 13		
Dec. 15	From Mt. Zion Church	10 00		
			$	768 07
Nov. 8	Paid Secretary's draft, No. 139, herewith,	$ 650 00		
Dec. 12	Paid Secretary's draft, No. 146, herewith,	30 00		
				680 00
	Balance on hand		$	88 07

FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

1898.				
Oct. 31	Balance reported	$ 264 82		
Nov. 4	Conference collection	264 00		
Dec. 15	From Mt. Zion Church	10 00		
			$	538 82
1899.				
April 5	Paid Secretary's draft, No. 149, herewith,		$	400 00
	Balance on hand		$	138 82

CONVENTION FUND.

1898.				
Oct. 31	Balance reported	$ 205 91		
Nov. 4	Conference collection	48 60		
Dec. 15	From Mt. Zion Church	1 00		
	Balance on hand		$	255 51

PUBLISHING HOUSE FUND.

1898.				
Oct. 31	Balance reported	$ 88 91		
Nov. 4	Conference collection	61 66		
Dec. 15	From Mt. Zion Church	30		
			$	150 87
Nov. 26	Paid Secretary's draft, No. 144, herewith,			36 00
	Balance on hand		$	114 87

SUPERANNUATED FUND.

1898.				
Oct. 31	Balance reported	$ 258 17		
Nov. 4	Conference Collection	46 81		
Dec. 15	From Mt. Zion Church	2 00		
	Balance on hand		$	306 98

CONFERENCE AND PUBLICATION FUND.

1898.				
Oct. 31	Balance reported	77		
Nov. 4	Conference Collection	69 45		
Dec. 15	From Mt. Zion Church	1 00		
Nov. 26	From Publishing House Fund	36 00		
			$	107 22
Nov. 5	Paid Secretary's draft, No. 145, herewith,	80		
Nov. 7	Paid Secretary's draft, No. 140, herewith,	25 92		
				105 92
	Balance on hand		$	1 30

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

1898.				
Oct. 31	Balance reported	$ 262 32		
Nov. 1	From Rev. J. W. Harrell, for note	137 50		
Nov. 4	From Conference Collection	149 50		
Dec. 15	From Mt. Zion Church	2 00		
1899.				
Oct. 17	From Rev Mr. Newman, on note	120 00		
Oct. 21	From Rev. Mr. Peele, balance on note	99 50		
Oct. 30	From Rev. Newman, balance on note	70 00		
Oct. 30	From Rev. Mr. Johnson, on account his indebtedness	25 00		
			$	865 82
1898.				
Nov. 16	Paid Secretary's draft, No. 142, herewith,	50 00		
Nov. 23	Paid Secretary's draft, No. 141, herewith,	50 00		
Dec. 30	Paid Secretary's draft, No. 143, herewith,	37 50		
1899.				
Jan. 24	Paid Secretary's draft, No. 148, herewith,	50 00		
Jan. 26	Paid Secretary's draft, No. 147, herewith,	50 00		
Feb. 28	Paid Secretary's draft, No. 149, herewith,	37 50		
				275 00
	Balance on hand		$	590 82

TOTALS.

Balance to credit Home Mission Fund	$ 88 07
Balance to credit Foreign Mission Fund	138 82
Balance to credit Convention Fund	255 51
Balance to credit Publishing House Fund	114 87
Balance to credit Superannuated Fund	306 98
Balance to credit Conference and Publishing Fund	1 30
Balance to credit Educational Fund	590 82
Total amount in hands of Treasurer	$ 1,496 37

Respectfully submitted,

WM. H. JONES, JR., Treasurer.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Amounts collected as follows: Home Missions, $900.50; Foreign Missions, $312.33; Education, $180.50; Superannuated Fund, $59.25; Conference Fund, $87.68; Convention Fund $59.75; Elon College Fund $479.67; Publishing House Fund, $1.64. Total, $2,081.32.

A. M. ELEY,
J. E. WEST.

The Committee on Assessments again submitted their report and without further reading it was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ASSESSMENTS.

NAME.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Educational Fund.	Superannuated Fund.	Conference.	Convention.	Elon College.	Total Amounts.
Antioch	$ 30	15	$ 5	4	4	4	25	87
Barrett's	9	8	5	1	2	2	5	32
Berea, Norfolk	25	10	8	3	3	3	25	77
Berea, Nansemond	75	35	10	5	5	5	65	200
Berkley	15	10	5	3	3	3	15	54
Bethany	20	8	4	2	3	3	12	52
Bethlehem	55	25	5	2	5	3	36	131
Burton's Grove	20	10	3	1	4	2	10	50
Centerville	8	4	2	1	1	1	3	20
Cypress Chapel	50	25	5	2	5	3	20	110
Damascus	35	10	5	2	5	3	21	80
Emporia	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
Eures	10	5	4	1	3	2	5	30
Franklin	10	10	5	2	4	2	10	43
Holland	25	20	5	2	3	2	20	77
Holy Neck	80	35	10	5	6	4	50	190
Isle of Wight C. H.	10	5	5	2	4	2	13	41
Ivor	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	10
Johnson's Grove	10	5	3	1	4	2	5	30
Liberty Spring	30	5	5	1	4	2	13	60
Mt. Carmel	25	10	5	1	4	2	13	60
Mt. Zion	15	5	3	1	3	2	6	35
New Lebanon	12	8	5	2	3	2	7	39
Norfolk	25	28	12	2	5	3	30	105
Oakland	25	10	8	2	3	2	15	65
Providence	25	15	7	2	4	2	20	75
Spring Hill	10	10	5	2	4	2	12	45
Sarem	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
Suffolk	120	45	20	5	6	4	100	300
Union—Surry	10	5	3	1	3	2	11	35
Union—South'n	8	4	2	1	1	1	3	20
Waverly	20	5	5	1	4	2	18	55
Windsor	15	6	4	1	1	1	10	38
Totals	$ 832	400	$ 176	$ 64	$ 112	$ 76	$ 600	$ 2,260

N. G. NEWMAN,
F. A. LUKE,
A. T. HOLLAND,
J. W. HARRELL.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WORK.

We believe the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor offers a fine opportunity to our young people for better service, larger usefulness and greater spiritual blessings. It is meant to be and is what its name indicates.

Organized forces are the strongest and most effective forces. The Christian Endeavor movement is world-wide and includes in its membership people of all protestant creeds and faiths. It was never intended to care for the material side of the church, but as a help to her spiritual life. The weekly prayer-meeting, monthly consecration service and obligations of the pledge are among its chief features. It has been endorsed and recommended to our young people by our Southern Christian Convention and this Conference. In our Conference of 33 churches and near five thousand communicants, there are only six societies, four Young People's Societies and two Junior Societies. Suffolk, Berkley, Bethlehem and Holland have each a Young People's Society, and Suffolk and Berkley have each a Junior Society. We recommend,

1. That our pastors and churches be requested to take up this work and organize societies whenever there are opportunities.

2. That the Chairman of the Committee on Christian Endeavor work be made a Corresponding Secretary to look after the work, in connection with the pastors in this Conference.

Respectfully,

M. W. BUTLER,
J. W. HARRELL.

Adopted.

The report on Sunday Schools was offered and after discussion by Rev. J. W. Harrell and Prof. A. D. Woodworth was adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

As far as we are able to ascertain, all the churches within the bounds of this Conference have Sunday Schools. The majority are evergreen and are doing creditable work, as far as we know. We hope however, that the few which do not come under this head will soon see the importance of such a school. The Sunday School is the supply room to the church, and should be nurtured with the uttermost care and vigilance. The young tender minds and hearts of the children are entrusted to the Sunday School for Christian training. Great is the responsibility that rests upon the Sunday School and there is no department of the work that is more important.

We therefore recommend the following :

1. That the Superintendent shall be a godly man and spiritually qualified for the work.

2. That the teachers shall be true, earnest and faitfhul Christians, bearing in their lives the fruits of the Christ life.

3. That the choir (proper) shall be composed of Christians.

4. That the Superintendent shall teach the children to take part in the singing.

5. That all the Sunday Schools report to the Sunday School Convention.

6. That all schools shall use our own literature, published at Dayton, Ohio.

I. W. JOHNSON,
J. W. HARRELL.

The report on Foreign Missions was taken up and discussed by Dr. J. P. Barrett and Prof. A. D. Woodworth. Prof. Woodworth entertained Conference for an hour with a most interesting account of his work in Japan.

Discussion was suspended at this time on the Foreign Mission report as the hour had arrived for sepcial services —the ordination of Revs. I. W. Johnson and L. L. Lassiter. On motion Conference adjourned to the church where the exercises took place, being conducted by Revs. N. G. Newman, J. P. Barrett, and W. W. Staley, the Ordaining Presbytery.

Conference adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President in the chair.

The report on Foreign Missions was again taken up and after further discussion was adopted.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your Committee to whom was given the consideration of the matter of Foreign Missions, comes to you in this Annual Session with good news from the foreign field, and we come rejoicing because of what God has wrought in the labors of our Missionaries for the spread of the gospel in the heathen lands.

We submit some facts for your consideration and encouragement:

1. Our Japan Mission seems to be in a healthy and vigorous condition. It is true Prof. A. D. Woodworth, our Superintendent of that Mission has

been compelled to give up the work and come home on the account of the illness of his wife, but the Mission Board of the American Christian Convention has already secured the services of Rev. E. K. McCord and wife of Wolfsboro, N. H., to take his place. Bro. McCord is a young man of deep spirituality, of good health, good scholarship and economical and industrious. He will sail for Japan soon.

The increase in the number of converts in our Japan Mission is not rapid, but this is the time of seed sowing and so we must not expect too much in early results, but labor faithfully and wait patiently for the time of harvest.

One of your Committee has recently had the privilege of carefully looking into the inside work of the Mission Board of the American Christian Convention, through which our work is done, and he assures us the administration of its affairs is judicious and economical, that the Board is out of debt, and therefore paying no interest, is a source of real joy to our people.

We have six Missionaries from the United States in Japan and under appointment to that field. We reccommend that the Treasurer be ordered to pay $400 to the Treasurer of the Southern Christian Convention for Foreign Missions.

2. We have two under appointment to the Arminian Mission who will sail as soon as sufficient money is in hand to justify the board in beginning the work at Antioch or Smyrua in Syria. It is the hope of the Board to reach this point by May 1, 1900, and in that event Rev. Bro. Alexanian and his wife will sail for Syria. He is a native of Arminia, is an educated man, the master of several languages. He gives much promise of great usefulness.

With these facts before us we feel justified in calling upon our churches to do a more liberal part by the collections for our Foreign work. To this end we urge every church to do its best to raise for this purpose more than their assessments, if possible.

We are not awake to the responsibilities and privileges we have in the glorious work of spreading the glad news of salvation among lost men.

J. PRESSLEY BARRETT,
M. P. PORTER,
I. W. JOHNSON,
J. W. FOLK.

A collection was taken up to aid in sending a missionary to Antioch and Syria, for the establishment of a Christian Church there; $12.01 was raised and the amount turned over to Dr. J. P. Barrett, who was requested to receive funds until April 1st, 1900, for the same purpose. The pastors of the various churches were instructed to give

their congregations an opportunity before April 1st, 1900, to make a voluntary contribution to Dr. Barrett, for the same object.

It was ordered that funds collected for Elon College be paid over to the Treasurer of the Southern Christian Convention.

The following resolutions, offered by Dr. W. W. Staley, were heartily and unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That we tender the members of Astrea Lodge No. 246, A. F. and A. M., and Waverly Lodge No. 158, Independent Oorder of Odd Fellows, a vote expressing our grateful appreciation of their kindness to this Conference for the free use of their elegant hall during the present session; and more especially because the offer was made out of their own thoughtful concern for our accomodation.

2nd, That the Secretary be directed to mail a certified copy of these resolutions to the Secretary of each of the above named Lodges.

Resolved, That our thanks be expressed to Rev. W. E. Allen, pastor of the Waverly M. E. Church, South, for the offer of his Church for the use of this Conference, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to brother Allen.

Resolved, That we express our appreciation by a rising vote of the hospitality of the Waverly Christian Church and the members of other churches in their welcome to us and their kindness to us in their homes.

That we will remember them in addition to this, for turning out in large numbers to our meetings, and especially their attendance and attention to the gospel proclaimed by our ministers.

The Committee on nomination of place for next annual session submitted the churches of Oakland and New Lebanon. On motion, New Lebanon was chosen as the place for holding the next annual session.

The names of I. W. Johnson and L. L. Lassiter were ordered to be entered upon our roll as elders.

At his request, Rev. L. L. Lassiter was granted a letter of transfer to the Va. Valley Conference.

The following resolution was adopted.

Resolved, That this Conference subscribe for 1,000 copies of the ANNUAL at the usual price, and that an amount sufficient to make up the deficit in the Conference fund, be borrowed from the Publishing House fund—the distribution to be as heretofore.

On motion, it was decided to publish the proceedings of this Conference in the ANNUAL as usual.

Resolution adopted as follows:

Resolved, That we now serve notice on the various churches that this Conference will not provide ANNUALS as heretofore unless each church pays in full the Conference fund assessment.

The Annual Address of Rev. M. W. Butler, was requested for publication in the *Sun*.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That we record an expression of our pleasure, as a Conference, at the visit of Prof. A. D. Woodworth to us.

The President announced the standing committees as follows:

Education—W. W. Staley, R. H. Peel, I. W. Johnson.

Home Missions—R. H. Peel, J. F. West, J. W. Harrell.

Foreign Missions—J. P. Barrett, M. P. Porter, M. J. W. White.

Moral Reform—I. W. Johnson, H. H. Butler, J. E. West.

Sabbath Schools—J. W. Harrell, A. M. Eley, J. W. Barrett.

Religious Literature—J. T. Kitchen, J. E. Vincent, E. E. Holland.

Christian Endeavor—M. P. Porter, J. P. Barrett, F. L. Portlock.

Executive Committee—H. H. Butler, W. W. Staley, J. T. Kitchen.

Assessments—A. T. Holland, I. A. Luke, T. J. Lawrence.

On motion the President was made chairman of the Committee on Assessments and added to the Committee on Education.

The proceedings of to-day were read, corrected and approved.

On motion Conference adjourned to meet with New Lebanon Christian Church, on Tuesday before the first Sunday in November, 1900.

SUMMARY OF MINISTERIAL REPORTT.

J. Pressley Barrett: Charge, Memorial Christian Temple, Norfolk, Va.; sermons, about 150; lectures and addresses, about 50; prayer-meetings held, about 40; conversions unknown; pastoral visits unknown; marriages solemnized, several; funeral services performey, unknown; received into fellowship. 14; baptisms 8; salary received, $1,000.

H. H. Butler: Charges, Antioch, Bethlehem, Cypress Chapel, Liberty Spring, Mt. Carmel; sermons, 126, lectures and addresses, 10; prayer-meetings, several; conversions about 172; pastoral visits, 360; funeral services, 32; marriages solemnized, 25, received into fellowship about 110; baptisms, 79; salary received, $975.00.

J. W. Barrett: Charges, Mt. Zion, New Lebanon; sermons 60; lectures and addresses, unknown, prayer-meetings, quite a number; conversions, unknown; pastoral visits about 120; funeral services, several; marriages solemnized 5; received into fellowship, unknown; baptisms, 4; salary received, $290.

M. W. Butler: Charges, Berkley, Berea (Norfolk); sermons 175; lectures and addresses, several; prayer-meetings, 45; conversions, unknown; pastoral visits, unknown; funeral services, 27; marriages, 13; received into fellowship, several; baptisms, several, salary received, $850.00.

J. W. Harrell: Charges, Barretts, Bethany; Burton's Grove, Centreville, Emporia, Spring Hill; sermons, 159; lectures and addresses, 6; prayer-meetings, 12; conversions, 131; pastoral visits, unknown; funeral services, 4; marriages, 4; received into fellowship, 67; baptisms, 51, salary received, $685.

M. L. Hurley: Traveling agent for the CHRISTIAN SUN, sermons preached, 219; lectures and addresses delivered, 10.

J. T. Kitchen: Charges, Eure's Johnson's Grove, Union (Surry), Union (Southampton); sermons, 80; pastoral visits not known; funeral services,

several; marriages, 8; received into fellowship, 30; baptisms, 20; salary received, $350.

I. W. Johnson: Charges, Holland, Isle of Wight C. H., Oakland, Windsor; sermons, 76; six lectures and addresses; prayer meetings, 12; conversions, 70; pastoral visits, 271; funeral services performed, 9; received into fellowship, 58; salary received, 550.

L. L. Lassiter: Charges, Antioch, Linville, Concord, Bethlehem. Virginia Valley Conference—sermons preached, 59; 12 lectures and addresses; conversions, 7; 257 pastoral visits; received into fellowship, 8; salary received, $300.

N. G. Newman: Charges. Berea (Nansemond), Franklin, Holy Neck; sermons, 90; lectures and addresses, 3; prayer meetings, 16; conversions, 30, pastoral visits, 327; funeral services, 10; marriages solemnized, 12; received into fellowship, 36, baptisms, 15; salary received, $937.15.

M. P. Porter: Charges, Waverly.

W. W. Staley: Charge, Suffolk; sermons, 150; lectures and addresses, 40; prayer-meetings, 50; conversions, 16, pastoral visits, 851, funeral services, 24, marriages solemnized, 5, received into fellowship, 23, baptisms, 15, salary, $1,200.

REV. N. G. NEWMAN, President,
Franklin, Va.

T. J. LAWRENCE, Secretary,
South Quay, Va.

I. W. JOHNSON, Ass't. Secretary,
Suffolk, Va.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS OF EASTERN VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE.

CHURCHES.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Superannuated Fund.	Conference Fund.	Convention Fund.	Publishing House Fund.	ElonCollege Fund.	Total.	Value of Church Property.	Paid Pastor.
Antioch	43 00	$ 10 83	$ 5 00	$ 3 00	$ 3 00	$ 3 09	$	$ 16 00	$ 83 83	$ 1800 00	$ 200 00
Barretts	5 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	3 00	15 00	600 00	109 25
Berea (Nansemond)	91 00	24 00	20 00	5 00	8 00	5 00	.....	50 00	203 00	500 00	350 00
Berea (Norfolk)	25 00	10 00	7 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	.....	13 00	61 00	1500 00	2500 00
Berkley	20 00	10 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	.....	10 00	50 00	7500 00	600 00
Bethrny	25 00	8 00	3 00	2 00	3 00	3 00	.....	12 00	56 00	1200 00	172 43
Bethlehem	75 00	20 00	10 00	2 00	5 00	3 00	.....	26 00	141 00	1600 00	200 00
Burton's Grove	18 00	10 00	2 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	.....	7 00	41 00	1000 00	100 00
Centerville	5 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	3 00	15 00	250 00	59 25
Cypress Chapel	54 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	.....	.....	70 00	2000 00	225 00
Damascus	25 00	7 50	4 00	50	2 50	1 00	.....	12 50	53 00	1000 00	200 00
Emporia	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	1 00	7 00	1000 00	89 66
Eures	2 00	1 00	25	25	25	25	.....	1 00	5 00	900 00	100 00
Franklin	15 00	10 00	5 00	2 00	4 00	2 00	1 64	5 00	44 64	3750 00	150 00
Holland	35 00	15 00	5 00	2 00	3 00	2 00	.....	15 00	77 00	1500 00	150 00
Holy Neck	90 00	25 00	20 00	5 00	6 00	6 00	.....	40 00	192 00	3000 00	468 40
Isle of Wight C. H.	10 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	4 00	2 00	.....	13 00	41 00	1000 00	100 00
Ivor	2 00	50	50	50	50	50	.....	1 15	5 65	800 00	52 77
Johnson's Grove	10 00	.....	.....	.....	93	.....	.....	.....	10 93	700 00	75 00
Liberty Spring	30 00	10 00	6 00	1 50	3 25	1 50	.....	10 00	62 25	1500 00	150 00
Mt. Carmel	25 00	5 00	3 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	.....	10 00	47 00	1000 00	200 00

Mt. Zion	5 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	------	7 00	21 00	1500 00	120 00
New Lebanon	12 00	8 00	5 00	2 00	3 00	1 00	------	7 00	39 00	1200 00	125 00
Norfolk	35 00	18 00	12 00	2 00	5 00	3 00	------	30 00	105 00	25000 00	1000 00
Oakland	35 00	10 00	10 00	3 00	4 00	2 00	------	15 00	79 00	2500 00	200 00
Providence	25 00	15 00	5 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	------	28 50	77 50	2500 00	250 00
Sarem	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	------	1 27	7 27	500 00	50 00
Spring Hill	12 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	3 00	1 00	------	13 00	40 00	1000 00	154 00
Suffolk	120 00	45 00	20 00	5 00	6 00	4 00	------	100 00	300 00	30000 00	1200 00
Union (Surry)	7 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	2 00	2 00	------	2 00	24 00	800 00	100 00
Union (Southampton)	5 00	3 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	------	2 25	15 25	800 00	75 00
Waverly	22 50	7 50	3 75	1 50	2 25	1 50	------	15 00	54 00	1500 00	100 00
Windsor	15 00	6 00	4 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	------	10 00	38 00	1500 00	100 00
Total	$ 900 50	$ 312 33	$ 180 50	$59 25	$87 68	$59 75	$ 1 64	$ 479 67	$ 2,081 32	$ 107,400 00	$ 7.601 39

CHURCH STATISTICS OF EASTERN VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

CHURCHES.	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND POSTOFFICE.	Present Membership	Reported Last Session	Received Since	Dismissed	Withdrawn	Died	Suspended or Expelled
Antioch	H. H. Butler	N B Munford, Zaui, Va	253	237	25	3	6		
Barretts	J. W. Harrell	J D Ponm, Dora, Va	142	123	28	2	1	2	4
Berea (Norfolk)	M. W. Butler	M W Hollowell, Great Bridge, Va	141	153	1		5	1	7
Berea, Nansemond	N. G. Newman	F M Arthur, Deans, Va	99	99					
Berkley	M. W. Butler	C A Marwitz, Jr, Berkley, Va	160	158	6	1	3		
Bethany	J. W. Harrell	T J Lawrence, South Quay, Va	68	62	6				
Bethlehem	H. H. Butler	J W Folk, Suffolk, Va	298	292	30	2		3	19
Burton's Grove	J. W. Harrell	E W Carroll, Wakefield, Va	118	120		1	1		
Centerville	J. W. Harrell	W M Ferguson, Disputanta, Va	37	36	2			1	
Cypress Chapel	H. H. Butler	A L Harrell, Cypress Chapel, Va	298	306	9	8	5	4	
Damascus	R. H. Peel	J R Corbitt, Sunsbury, N C	230	266		3	1	2	30
Emporia	J. W. Harrell	Chas Bradley, Belfield, Va	63	34	33	1			3
Eures	I. T. Kitchen	W M Sparkman, Eure, N. C.	158	179		4		2	15
Franklin	N. G. Newman	Mis Annie Lee Gay, Franklin, Va	52	47	9	3		1	
Holland	I. W. Johnson	R H Holland, Holland, Va	250	211	47	1	2	1	4
Holy Neck	N. G. Newman	C B Milteer, Holland, Va	436	433	25	7	3	12	
Isle of Wight C. H.	I. W. Johnson	R L Spivey, Isle of Wight, Va	84		1				
Ivor	R. H. Peel	B H Laine, Ivor, Va	33	36	1		2	1	
Johnson's Grove	J. T. Kitchen	J W Johnson, Aidyle, Va	87	76	15		2	2	
Liberty Spring	H. H. Butler	F E Parker, Savage's Crossing, Va	201	197	10	1		5	
Mt. Carmel	H. H. Butler	R E Turner, Darden, Va	235	190	53		6	2	
Mt. Zion	J. W. Barrett	Geo W Haughwout, Crittenden, Va	50	85		3	3	3	26
New Lebanon	J. W. Barrett	O V Cocks, Sexton, Va	73	78	7	2	4		6
Norfolk	J. P. Barrett	M J W White, Norfolk, Va	261	251	14	2		2	
Oakland	I. W. Johnson	E C Ramsey, Chuckatuck, Va	132	134	5		7		
Providence	G. W. Tickle	F L Portlock, Norfolk, Va	76	77					1
Sarem	R. H. Peel	W J Felton, Sarem, N. C.	31	31					
Spring Hill	J. W. Harrell	C C Richardson, Dun, Va	102	103	3		1	3	
Suffolk	W. W. Staley	B F Cutchen, Suffolk, Va	412	398	23	1	1	7	
Union (Surry)	J. T. Kitchen	C W Whitmore, Sexton, Va	79	90	4	3	3	3	6
Union (South'ton)	J T Kitchen	J I Joyner, Isaac, va	104	101	20	1	3	3	9
Waverly	M P Porter	R T West, waverly, va	126	117	11	2			
Windsor	I w Johnson	J B Wilson, windsor, va	67	58	8	3	1		
		Total	4,957	4,778	394	54	60	60	130

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Eastern N. C. Christian Conference

HELD AT

Wentworth Christian Church, McCullers, N. C.

WEDENSDAY, November 8, 1899.

The Conference was called to order by the President, Rev. G. R. Underwood, at 10: 30 A. M.

Religious exercises by Rev. S. B. Klapp.

The roll was called, and the following ministers and delegates responded :

Elders—Revs. W. G. Clements, James L. Foster, W. D. Harward, G. R. Underwood, J. D. Wicker, M. L. Winston, A. P. Barbee, T. A. Pounds, S. B. Clapp, C. H. Rowland.

Licentiate—L. F. Johnson.

Churches—Auburn, J. E. Langston, A. M. Pollard; Bethel, T. F. Smith ; Beulah, L. D. Scarboro ; Christian Chapel, J. R. Pollard and L. S. Mann; Catawba Springs, J. E. Franks, E. E. Murray; Christian Light, A. R. Truelove, W. D. Blanchard ; Ebenezer, J. H. Fleming, C. Cooper; Hayes's Chapel, Miley Perry ; Liberty, E. M. Newman, A. W. Ayscue, G. T. Whitaker ; Mt. Auburn, J. A. Kimball; Mt. Gilead, J. R. Carter; Morrisville, J. H. Moring ; New Elam, Lester G. Gunter; New Hill, J. R. Gardner; New Hope, W. R. Rogers, J. H. Hoyle; Oak Level, J. J. Pierce, B. T. Holden; O'Kelly's Chapel, J. W. Atkins,

F. B. Harward; Plymouth, A. L. Harris; Pope's Chapel, A. L. Allen; Raleigh, J. A. Mills; Shallow Well, J. W. Kelly; Wentworth, J. M. Banks, D. H. Overby; Youngsville, J. C. Winston, W. T. Young.

A quorum being present, the President announced Conference ready for business.

Rev. J. L. Foster presented his resignation as Standing Secretary of Conference, and on motion it was accepted.

The following officers were elected: President, Rev. J. L. Foster; Standing Secretary Rev. Herbert Scholz; Assistant Secretary, Rev. C. H. Rowland.

The retiring President, Rev. G. R. Underwood, presented Conference with a gavel donated by Cobb, Thomas & Co., of Sanford, N. C.

On motion, a vote of thanks was tendered the company for the gavel, and the retiring President and Secretary for their faithful services.

The following were invited to seats as deliberative members: Revs. L. F. Johnson, J. S. Carden, and Bros. J. M. King, J. B. King and John Edwards.

Rev. J. D. Wicker delivered the Annual Sermon from Luke 16: 15, 16.

Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., from the Eastern Virginia Conference, and Rev. E. T. Isley, from the Central Virginia Conference, were invited to seats as deliberative members. They bore fraternal greetings from their Conferences.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order by President Foster.

A. L. Allen was appointed to fill the vacancy in the Committee on Home Missions, and Rev. W. D. Harward in Committee on Education.

The Executive Committee made this report:

We have held one Missionary meeting, and organized a Minister's Council.

W. G. CLEMENTS,
J. L. FOSTER,
J. D. WICKER.

The following were appointed a Committee on Finance: J. A. Kimball, J. E. Franks, F. B. Howard.

The Secretary read the Church letters and Ministerial Reports.

Bro. J. H. Moring was appointed to receive money for Annuals.

The Secretary was instructed to give totals to all tabulated statistics.

The pastor and deacons of Wentworth Church were appointed a Committee on Religious Services.

This committee reported that Rev. G. R. Underwood would preach on Thursday at noon, Rev. M. W. Butler Friday noon, and Prof. S. M. Smith would address the Conference on Christian Endeavor work Saturday noon.

Conference adjourned. Benediction by Rev. M. L. Winston.

SECOND DAY.

Conference called to order by President Foster. Religious services by deacon A. Moring.

The following delegates were enrolled: Raleigh, A. Moring; Martha's Chapel, E. Herndon, J. D. Castleberry; Wake Chapel, K. B. Johnson, L. H. Smith; Mt. Hermon, A. C. Penny, W. L. Banks; Piney Plains, J. R. Prince.

The roll was called and minutes of first day read and approved.

Rev. M. W. Butler, of the Eastern Virginia Conference, Rev. A. D. Woodworth, of the Western Indiana Conference, and Prof. E. L. Moffitt, were invited to seats as deliberative members.

Rev. Herbert Scholz was elected to deliver the next Annual Sermon, with Rev. C. H. Rowland as alternate.

Oak Level Church was selected as the place at which to hold the next session of Conference.

The selection of delegates to the next session of the Southern Christian Convention was made a special order for Friday at 11 o'clock A. M.

On motion, Friday at 2 P. M. was appointed to hear Prof. Moffitt on the Christian Missionary Association.

The Committee on Foreign Missions made this report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Gospel is the life of the world It is necessary for the life and health of the world that the Gospel have free course. But if it becomes stagnant in the individual or chruch, it becomes an offense. Some are so foolish as to care only for themselves, others for their church, and others, forgetting that we are members one of another, and that if one member suffer, all the other members suffer with it. Every regenerated soul becomes a part of the great circulatory system for the communication of the gospel to the world.

Rev. A. D. Woodworth, one of our missionaries to Japan, has resigned on account of his wife's sickness. He has been elected to travel in the interest of Foreign Missions. Rev. E. K. McCord of Wolfeboro, N. H., has been elected to take his place, and will go to Japan the first of next year. Rev. M. G. Alexanian, our missionary elect to the Armenians in Syria, will start for that field as soon as sufficient funds are in hand. We have nothing to report on Cuba or Porto Rico. We recommend, first, that preachers use the best methods to raise the largest amount for Foreign Missions, second, that the churches raise the amounts asked for by this Conference, third, that our people subscribe for the *Christian Missionary*.

G. R. UNDERWARD,
L. F. JOHNSON,
W. D. HARWOOD.
Committee.

In connection with the report Rev. A. D. Woodworth delivered an address on the "Moral Condition of Japan."

The report was adopted.

A collection of $6.35 was taken up to help defray Bro. Woodworth's expenses.

The following fraternal messengers were elected: Eastern Virginia Conference, Rev. J. L. Foster; Valley of Virginia Conference, Rev. W. D. Harward; Georgia and Alabama Conference, Rev. J. D. Wicker; Western North Carolina Conference, Revs. G. R. Underwood, A. P. Barbee; North Carolina and Virginia Conference, Rev. W. G. Clements.

A message was received from Rev. J. W. Wellons expressing fraternal greetings to this Conference.

A similar message was returned to "Uncle" Wellons from Conference through Rev. M. L. Winston.

Rev. G. R. Underwood delivered a sermon from John 6: 70.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President.

Bro. K. B. Johnson was appointed to fill vacancy in Committee on Religious Literature.

Rev. M. W. Butler was received by transfer into this Conference from the Eastern Virginia Conference.

The Secretary of Ministers' Council submitted the minutes of their proceedings, which are here appended:

MINUTES OF MINISTERS' COUNCIL.

The Ministers' Council was called to order at the home of Bro. J. M. Banks, November 7, 1899, by the Chairman, Rev. J. D. Wicker. Prayer by Rev. L. F. Johnson. Ministers present: Revs. W. G. Clements, J. L. Foster, J. D. Wicker, G. R. Underwood, S. B. Klapp, A. P. Barbee, M. L. Winston, T. A. Pounds, L. F. Johnson and W. D. Harward. The council decided to recommend to Conference the advisability of grouping the churches of this Conference into pastorates to take effect one year hence. The council also decided that in the future they would refuse to accept a church as pastor of the same until the said church had paid the salary of its former pastor or given some satisfactory excuse for not doing so.

The Council then adjourned to meet at New Hope Church next July, during the Sunday School Convention.

On motion the action taken by the Ministers' Council was ratified.

The following were appointed a committee to arrange a satisfactory

grouping of the churches and report next Conference: Revs. J. D. Wicker, and G. R. Underwood; Laymen, J. M. Banks, L. S. Mann and J. A. Kimball.

The Committee on Sunday Schools presented this report:

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

Number of schools reported last year, 28, pupils, 1,751, amount of money collected, 287.39. Number of schools reported this year, 30, pupils, 1,716, amount of money collected, $358.22. We find that three schools did not use our literature last year, and five this year. We recommend that all ministers attend the Sunday School Convention.

J. H. MORING.
J. C. WINSTON,
J. MILTON BANKS,
Committee.

Conference adjourned. Benediction by Dr. W. W. Staley.

THIRD DAY.

Conference called to order by the President.

Religious exercises by Rev. A. P. Barbee. Roll called, minutes read, corrected and approved.

Revs. Rufus King, of the Friends' Church, and J. O. Atkinson, fraternal messenger from the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, were invited to seats as deliberative members. Both responded with appropriate remarks.

The following delegates were enrolled: Plymouth, A. T. Banks; Bethel, C. F. Spence; Six Forks, C. J. Lassiter, Miss Marcy Rarely.

The following delegates were elected to the next session of the Southern Christian Convention:

Laymen—K. B. Johnson, T. J. Haskins, J. H. Moring, J. B. Watson.

Alternates—J. A. Kimball, A. L. Allen, A. Moring, C. S. Holleman, J. H. Fleming.

Elders—M. W. Butler, W. D. Harward, J. L. Foster, W. G. Clements.

Alternates—S. B. Klapp, G. R. Underwood, J. D. Wicker, A. P. Barbee.

Rev. M. W. Butler preached from the text Mal. 3: 17.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President Foster in the chair. The Christian Missionary Association was discussed by Prof. E. L. Moffitt and Dr. W. W. Staley. Conference took a membership in the Association and elected Rev. M. W. Butler to represent it at the next session. The Committee on Religious Literature made this report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Recognizing the fact that it is through its literature that a church makes itself known and felt as a religious factor, and that it is only by continual reading of our literature that our members can keep informed as to the work and needs of the church, we recommend, first, that every minister of this Conference take the CHRISTIAN SUN, and do all in his power to get it into every family in his charge, second, that we encourage the making and reading of such books and tracts as are promotive of our enterprises, third, that all, who can, take the *Herald of Gospel Liberty* and the *Christian Missionary*, fourth, that our literature be used in all of our Sunday Schools.

C. H. ROWLAND,
K. B. JOHNSON,
HERBERT SCHOLZ.
Committee.

The report was adopted.

The Committee on Home Missions submitted this report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

We find by canvassing the Home Mission field that points where we have appropriated funds are progressing fairly well. We have every reason to be encouraged with the work at Bethel, Youngsville, Mt. Gilead, Six Forks, Amelia and Raleigh.

Bethel, Youngsville and Mt. Gilead have asked help. We are sorry to say we cannot help them on account of a lack of means. Many of the churches have failed to pay up their apportionments in full. We recommend that pastors endeavor to organize church aid societies in all their churches. We find where the society work has been pushed that the churches have come up in full with their apportionments. We recommend that this Conference place Rev. E. T. Iseley in the South Eastern

portion of the Conference at the following points: Pleasant Hill, Spilona, Pleasant Grove, and Selma as a mission point, as our home missionary. We recommend that $110.00 be given to the support of Rev. E. T. Iseley, who has kindly agreed to accept this work provided the field and the Conference will pay him $325.00 We recommend the appropriation of $60.00 to the Raleigh Church. We also recommend the appropriation of $25.00 to Antioch provided the services of Rev. J. T. Kitchen can be secured at that point. We recommend that these appropriations be drawn quarterly, except the one at Antioch which may be drawn in June.

J. D. WICKER,
A. L. ALLEN,
A. P. BARBEE.
Committee.

After considerable discussion the report was adopted.

The report on Moral Reform was read, discussed and adopted.

The following is the report:

REPORT ON MORAL REFORM.

The prosperty and happiness of any people depend very largely on the soundness of their morals. There are usually a great many elements at work that tend to vitiate the moral atmosphere. We find this true in our very midst. The many forms of intemperance which are observable by all tend to break down the physical and moral life of our people. The battle which has been waged by the church against the use of intoxicants, narcotics, and questionable social practices has not been fruitless, but has brought about the dawn of better things. Let us keep up the battle until the drunkard, the tobacco user, the gambler, and the sower of social corruption shall not be recognized as people who merit a place with the best people of the land.

HERBERT SCHOLZ,
A. P. BARBEE.
Committee.

Report of Educational Committee was made a special order for Saturday 10:30 A. M.

Conference adjourned.

Benediction by Rev. M. W. Butler.

FOURTH DAY.

Conference called to order by President Foster.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Rev. J. L. Foster was allowed $15.00 for his services as Secretary last year.

On motion, churches were requested to elect delegates who would stay through the entire Conference, and ministers required to do the same.

Committee on Education made this report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

All growth, whether material or immaterial, is conditioned on its environments. If these are favorable a healthy increase follows. If they are unfavorable, the result is in the opposite direction. And as the spiritual man is dependent on the mental for its environments, it follows that the most favorable conditions should surround the mind. These can be found no where in larger measure than in a well-conducted school under the highest Christian influences. These influences should commence in the primary schools and go step by step to the great universities of the land. We are glad to know as a church that we are making fair progress along the lines of thought thus advanced. Everywhere we are looking out for broader fields of Christian education.

As a Conference we look with gratitude to Elon College. The influence of this excellent institution of learning has already given much strength to this Conference. Nine of her graduates, with many of her undergraduates brighten the homes of this Conference. And we urge all to stand like Christian men and women in the support of our College.

We recommend the transfer of Rev. E. T. Iseley from the Central Virginia Conference to this Conference.

Bro. Herbert Scholz has passed a satisfactory examination, and being recommended by the Christian Church at Raleigh, we recommend his ordination as an elder in this Conference. Bro. L. F. Johnson is making fair progress in the Junior class at Elon, and we recommend that this Conference lend him $50.00 from the Educational Fund to aid him in completing his education, and that the Treasurer of Conference take the usual note for the same. Bro. Lester G. Gunter came before us, being

strongly recommended by New Elam Church, and was admitted to the Biblical class. We are glad to know that he is now attending a good private school.

J. L. FOSTER,
W. G. CLEMENTS,
W. D. HARWARD.
Committee.

After being discussed at some length by Revs. Atkinson and Staley, the report was adopted.

Revs. W W. Staley, D. D., W. G. Clements and J. O. Atkinson were selected as Ordaining Presbytery to ordain Rev. Herbert Scholz.

The Secretary was instructed to draw an order payable to the Treasurer of the Southern Christian Convention on the Treasurer of this Conference for the Foreign Mission and Elon College funds.

Prof. S. M. Smith delivered an address on the Christian Endeavor Work.

Delegates J. C. Hardee and Miss Mary A. Austin from Pleasant Hill (J), were enrolled.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President in the chair.

Committee on Finance made this report:

We have examined the Secretary's account of $5.00 for 40 church letters and incidentals and find it to be correct and recommend its payment

We have also examined the Treasurer's books and report and find them correct. We recommend the appended form for convenience of delegates in paying apportionment to the Treasurer:

CONFERENCE ASSESSMENTS.

Sent up by .....
Church, from November 1, 189.... to November 1, 189....

Home Missions,	$.....
Foreign Missions,	.....
Education,	.....
Superannuated,	.....
Conference Fund,	.....
Convention Fund,	.....
Elon College Fund,	.....
Total,	$.....

EXPLANATION AS TO HOW TO USE SLIP.

Send no coin up to Conference. Convert the collections into *Currency* or into *Checks* when convenient. Make all the collections even dollars if possible. This will save collector at Conference much trouble and make all accounts appear better in the records. Let pastors see that this slip, properly filled out, is sent up to Conference with check or currency from the church.

J. A. KIMBALL,
J. E. FRANKS,
F. B. HARWARD.
Committee.

The Treasurer submitted the following report, which was adopted:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

J. E. BALLENTINE IN ACCOUNT WITH THE EASTERN N. C. CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE.

HOME MISSIONS.

1898.			
Nov. 9	By overdraw		
Nov. 15	To collections at Conference		$ 179 15
1899.			
Nov. 4	To collections since		9 22
	By commissions, 1½ per cent.	$ 2 82	
1898.			
Nov. 15	By order of J. L. Foster, No. 62	12 50	
Dec. 15	By order of Rev. W. G. Clements, No 64	25 00	
1899.			
Mar. 23	By order of Rev. J. L. Foster, No. 65	12 50	
June. 1	By order of Rev. S. B. Klapp, No. 66	15 00	
	By order of Rev. S. B. Klapp, No. 67	25 00	
	By order of Rev. J. L. Foster, No. 68	12 50	
	By order of Rev. L. F. Johnson, No. 69	15 00	
Aug. 1	By order of Rev. J. L. Foster, No. 70	12 50	
31	By order of Rev. W. D. Harward, No. 71	15 00	
1899.			
Nov. 4	By commission on 9 orders, 1½ per cent	2 17	
Nov. 4	Balance on hand	38 32	
		$ 188 37	$ 188 37

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

1898.			
Nov. 9	By overdraw	$ 1 17	
15	To collections at Conference		$ 84 47
1899.			
Nov. 4	To collections since		1 50
4	By commissions 1½ per cent.	1 28	
4	Balance on hand	83 52	
		$ 85 97	$ 85 97

EDUCATION.

1898.			
Nov. 9	To balance on hand		$ 8 08
15	To collections at Conference		53 86
1899.			
Nov. 4	To collections since		1 00
4	By commissions 1½ per cent.	82	
1898.			
Nov. 30	By order of Rev. L. F. Johnson, No. 63	$ 40 00	
1899.			
Nov. 4	By commission on order	60	
	Balance on hand	21 52	
		$ 62 94	$ 62 94
	Amount of notes on hand		354 75

CONFERENCE FUND.

1898.					
Nov. 9	To balance on hand			$	3 01
15	To collections at Conference				24 39
1899					
Nov. 4	To collections since				50
	By commissions		37		
1898.					
Nov. 12	By order of E. L. Moffitt, No. 59	$	5 40		
	By order of Rev. J. L. Foster, No. 60		15 00		
	By order Rev. J. L. Foster, No. 61		4 34		
1899					
Nov. 4	By commission on 3 orders		37		
	Balance on hand		2 42		
		$	27 90	$	27 90

SUPERANNUATED FUND.

1898.					
Nov. 9	Balance on hand			$	39 32
15	To collections at Conference				21 10
1899.					
4	To collections since				50
4	By commissions		32		
	Balance on hand	$	60 60		
		$	60 92	$	60 92

PUBLISHING HOUSE FUND.

1898.					
Nov. 9	To balance on hand			$	20 86
15	To collections at Conference				6 35
1899.					
Nov. 4	By commissions, 1½ per cent.		09		
	Balance on hand	$	27 12		
		$	27 21	$	27 21

Very truly,

J. E. BALLENTINE, *Treasurer.*

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That this Conference express by a rising vote its grateful thanks to the pastor and members of Wentworth Church, and members of other churches, and of the community, for their kind reception and entertainment of the ministers, delegates and visitors during this session; and to the Southern, S. A. L., and Raleigh and Cape Fear railroads for special rates and favors.

On motion, the Committee on Education was instructed to draw up a uniform note for the use of ministerial students.

The Committee on Apportionments submitted the following report, which was adopted:

APPORTIONMENTS.

CHURCHES.	Convention Fund.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions	Education.	Superannuated Fund.	Conference Fund.	Elon College Fund.
Amelia	$ 18	$ 1 00	$ 50	$ 50	$ 25	$ 25	$ 1 50
Antioch	------	4 00	1 50	1 00	50	50	3 50
Auburn	39	5 00	4 00	2 00	50	50	5 00
Bethel	28	1 00	50	25	25	20	1 00
Beulah	46	5 00	2 00	1 00	50	50	4 50
Bethany	------	1 00	1 00	------	------	------	------
Catawba Springs	1 17	5 00	10 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	11 25
Christian Chapel	1 59	8 00	5 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	9 00
Christian Light	20	2 00	1 00	50	50	50	3 00
Damascus	1 19	15 00	7 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	15 00
Ebenezer	82	5 00	2 00	1 00	50	75	6 00
Goodhope	56	5 00	2 00	2 00	50	50	5 00
Hayes' Chapel	83	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	75	3 50
Liberty	2 21	12 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	1 00	15 00
Mt. Auburn	1 59	15 00	5 00	4 00	1 00	1 00	15 00
Mt Carmel	51	2 00	1 00	50	50	25	2 00
Mt. Hermon	47	2 00	1 00	1 00	50	25	3 00
Martha's Chapel	42	5 00	2 00	1 00	50	50	5 00
Moore Union	62	4 00	3 00	2 00	50	50	5 00
Morrisville	34	5 00	2 00	1 00	50	50	5 00
Mt. Gilead	25	50	25	25	20	25	1 00
New Elam	1 73	10 00	5 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	9 00
New Hope	90	5 00	3 00	2 00	50	70	5 00
New Hill	30	50	25	25	20	20	1 00
O'Kelly's Chapel	87	7 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	7 50
Oak Level	1 32	10 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	1 50	10 00
Pleasant Union	54	2 00	1 00	1 00	50	60	3 00
Pleasant Hill	36	2 00	1 00	50	25	25	3 00
Pleasant Grove	------	50	50	50	50	25	1 50
Pope's Chapel	1 04	10 00	3 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	10 00
Plymouth	48	2 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	75	5 00
Piney Plains	28	2 00	1 00	1 00	50	30	2 00
Raleigh	71	15 00	5 00	3 00	1 00	75	10 00
Spilona	15	1 00	1 00	25	50	50	2 50
Shallow Well	1 59	10 00	5 00	3 00	1 20	1 20	10 00
Six Forks	31	1 00	1 00	25	20	20	1 00
Turner's Chapel	59	2 00	2 00	1 00	50	50	3 50
Wake Chapel	2 03	10 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	10 00
Walnut Grove	22	1 00	1 00	50	50	50	3 00
Wentworth	35	2 00	2 00	1 00	50	50	3 00
Youngsville	22	2 00	2 00	1 00	50	50	2 50

G. B. UNDERWOOD,
J. D. WICKER,
W. G. CLEMENTS,
Committee.

On motion, a Convention fund of one cent per member was ordered to be levied on the roll of churches by the Secretary.

Motion to borrow $10.70 from Publishing House Fund to make up deficiency for ANNUALS, and that these be placed at the disposal of the brethren to sell. Adopted.

Motion to publish the proceedings in ANNUAL was adopted.

Herbert Scholz, I. W. Pritchard, and M. J. W. McCauley were appointed a committee to investigate the condition of Bethany Church, and sell the property if necessary.

Experience and testimony meeting, after which Conference adjourned to meet with the Oak Level Christian Church on Wednesday before the second Sunday in November, 1900.

JAMES L. FOSTER, *President.*

HERBERT SCHOLZ, *Secretary.*

MINISTERIAL REPORT, 1899.

Pastors.	Names of Churches in Charge.	Number of Sermons.	Number of Lectures and Addresses.	Number Prayer-meetings Held.	Number of Conversions in Pastoral Charge.	Number of Members Received.	Number of Persons Baptized.	Number Pastoral Visits Made.	Number Funeral Services Performed.	Number Marriages Solmnized.	Number Sub. Secured for Christian Sun.	Number Sundays not Employed.	Amount of Salary Paid.
A P Barbee	New Elam, Turner's Chapel, Moore Union, Poplar Branch, Egypt	160	50	25	71	43	39	100	4	3			$ 209 00
W G Clements	Haw River, Martha's, Mt Hermon, Haye's, Amelia, New Hill	125	10	25	42	11	4	100	3	1			280 00
Jas L Foster	Raleigh, Mt Auburn, Wentworth	106	5	27	38	44	36	500	5	8	4		518 50
W D Harward	Catawba Springs, Auburn, Liberty (v), Mt Gilead, Morrisville	160		30	75	65	58		3	2			406 28
L F Johnson	Ebenezer, Six Forks	38	3	20	15	5						3	17 40
S B Klapp	Good Hope, Walnut Grove, Christian Chapel, Bethel, Youngsville, Plymouth, Pleasant Grove	92			55	25	20	135	6	4	10		238 45
L W Mangum	Pleasant Union	110	4	15		4		25	8	12		2	30 00
T A Pounds	Spilona	45		20				82		1		3	
C H Rowland	Shallow Ford, Mt Zion	50			11	4	5		2	1		2	110 00
Herbert Scholz	None	46	15	Sev					2				55 00
G R Underwood	Hank's Chapel, Pope's Chapel, Shallow well, Zion	140	10	20	25	23	18		10	4			425 00
J D Wicker	Oak, Level, Wake Chapel, O'Kelly's, Beulah	179	49	7	88	52	32	200	7	2			420 00
M L Winston	No Charge												
W C Wicker	Graham	40			15	5	4	100		1			120 00
J A Whiteman	No Charge												

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS, 1899.

CHURCH.	SUPERINTENDENT OR SECRETARY.	No. of Schools.	No. of Classes.	No. of Officers and Teachers	No. of Pupils.	Total Connected With Sunday School.	No. of Volumes in Library.	Do You Use our S. S. Literature.	Total Paid by Sunday School.
Auburn	Wm. Watts, Auburn, N. C	1	4	8	60	61	0	yes	25 00
Antioch									
Amelia	Joseph Hardee, Clayton, N. C	1	3	4	33	50	0	yes	
Beulah	C. G. Mitchell, Hartsville, N. C	1	4	6	52	63	0	yes	7 00
Bethany									
Bethel	J. C. Luther, Enno, N. C	1	3	5	112	121	0	yes	4 28
Catawba Springs	T. M. Franks, Raleigh, N. C	1	4	8	83	83	0	yes	19 00
Christian Chapel	R. C. Rollins, Good, N. C	1	4	6	74	80	0	yes	6 00
Christian Light	A. S. Arnold, May, N. C	1	3	5	28	37	0		
Damascus	I. W. Pritchard, Lindsay, N. C	1	6	10	43	60	30	yes	7 82
Ebenezer	N. A. Dillard, Flint, N. C	1	5	8	49	57		yes	
Good Hope	Eva A. Turner, Grissom, N. C	1	2	4	34	38		yes	
Haye's Chapel	W. L. Moring, Garner, N. C	1	3	6	61	71	0	yes	4 00
Liberty	E. M. Newman, Epsom, N. C	1	6	10	117	133		no	45 00
Mt. Auburn	T. J. Haskins, Keats, N. C	1	4	8	65	73	50	yes	5 08
Mt. Gilead	C. M. Bartholomew, Rocky Mt., N. C	1	3	6	28	34		no	
Mt Hermon	A. C. Penny, Penny's, N. C	1	3	7	52	63		yes	2 50
Mt. Carmel	J. W Mitchell, Wilton, N. C	1	4	7	35	42	75	no	2 00
Martha's Chapel	H. Mulholland, Williams Mill, N. C	1	4	4	35	43	45	yes	6 50
Morrisville	J. H. Moring, Morrisville, N. C	1	2	4	20	24		yes	15 00
Moore Union	W. C. Dickens, Lonely, N. C	1	3	5	30	38		yes	4 00
New Hill									
New Hope	J. M. King, Royall, N. C	1	6	7	92	100		yes	27 92
New Elam	T. G. Gunter, Patmos, N. C	1	4	10	72	87	30	yes	14 00
Oak Level	J. L. King, Franklinton, N. C	1	4	9	45	50		yes	11 00
O'Kelly's Chapel	C. C. Holleman, Williams Mills, N. C	1	3	7	54	60	50	yes	7 00
Pope's Chapel									
Plymouth									
Pleasant Grove									
Pleasant Hill									
Pleasant Union									
Piney Plain	W. I. Prince, Cary, N. C	1	3	5	20	25		no	1 00
Raleigh	J. A. Mills, Raleigh, N. C	1	6	14	138	152	103	yes	87 48
Shallow Well	J. B. Watson, Jonesboro, N. C	1	5	8	39	53		yes	8 62
Six Forks	C. J. Lassiter, Six Forks, N. C	1	3	8	62	70	50	no	3 45
Spilona									
Turner's Chapel	A. W. Wicker, Colon, N. C	1	3	7	30	37	10	yes	2 00
Wake Chapel									
Wentworth	J. M. Banks, Raleigh, N. C	1	5	7	107	112		yes	35 04
Walnut Grove									
Youngsville	J. C. Winston, Youngsville, N. C	1	4	4	48	52	12	yes	7 62
Totals		29	116	207	1716	1979	455		$ 358 32

STATISTICS EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE, 1899.

Churches.	Pastors.	Secretaries and Post Offices.	No. Reported 1898.	No. Received Since.	No. Dismissed by Letter.	No. Suspended.	No. Withdrawn.	No. Died.	No. Expelled.	Total Members Nov. 1-99.	Paid Pastor.	Paid Home Missions.	Paid Foreign Missions.	Paid Educate Young Preachers.	Paid Conference Fund.	Paid Superannuated Fund.	Paid Elon College Fund.	Paid Other Purposes.	Total Amount Paid 1899.	Value Church Property.
Auburn	W. D. Harward	W. W. Watts, Auburn, N. C.	36	5				1	1	39	$ 55 13	$ 6 00	$ 2 00	$ 3 00	$ 50	$ 50	$	$	$ 67 13	$ 500 00
Antioch																				500 00
Amelia	W. G. Clements	J. E. Austin, Clayton, N. C.	8	10						18	10 00	1 00	50	50	25	25	1 50		14 00	
Bethel	J. D. Wicker	J. B. Edwards, Rolesville, N. C.	50	1		2	1	2	2	46	40 00	4 00	2 00	1 00	50	50	4 50		52 50	500 00
Bethany																				50 00
Bethel	S. B. Klapp	J. M. Dennis, Enno, N. C.	17	12			1			28	15 00	1 00	50	25	25	20	1 00		18 20	450 00
Cassels Springs	W. D. Harward	E. B. Morris, Raleigh, N. C.	100	23	2		2	1	1	117	102 55	5 00	10 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	11 25	15 00	148 80	500 00
Christian Chapel	S. B. Klapp	L. S. Mann, Good, N. C.	172		3		7	2	1	159	70 00	3 25	3 00	1 28	1 00				78 53	800 00
Christian Light	J. D. Wicker	John R. Brown, May, N. C.	23	1	2	2	2			20	22 25	1 00	1 00		20		70		25 15	500 00
Dempsons	P. T. Klapp	M. A. McCauley, Chapel Hill, N. C.	105	18				4		119	125 00	15 00	6 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	7 00	1 00	170 00	1500 00
Dunnor	L. F. Johnson	M. J. Carlton, Flint, N. C.	82	2				2		82	42 00	6 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	50	1 25		54 65	500 00
Good Hope	S. B. Klapp	J. D. Pleasants, Purnell, N. C.	55	3				2		56	29 55	2 10	1 00		50	25			33 37	300 00
Hare's Chapel	W. G. Clements	G. O. Barbee, Garner, N. C.	85	5	5			2		83	50 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	75	3 50	250 00	309 75	500 00
Liberty	W. D. Harward	B. R. Eaves, Epsom, N. C.	195	27						221	125 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	1 00		64 00	212 00	1000 00
Mt. Anderson	J. L. Foster	S. P. Read, Palmer Spring, Va.	158	7			3	3		159	150 00	15 00	1 00	4 00	1 00	1 00	15 00		190 00	600 00
Mt. Moriah	W. D. Harward	J. H. Moring, Morrisville, N. C.	32	4			2			34	60 00	5 00	2 00	1 00	50	50	5 00	5 00	79 00	900 00
Mt. Olivet	W. G. Clements	H. Mulholland, Williams Mill, N. C.	37	2	5			1		43	70 00	4 75	2 00	20	50	31			77 73	350 00
Mt. Pleasant	J. D. Wicker	W. I. Wilson, Milton, N. C.	56			5	5			51	25 56	60	28						26 41	200 00
Mount Lebanon	A. P. Barbee	N. A. Matthews, Grotto, N. C.	53	10				1		62	40 00	4 00	2 00	2 00	50	50			49 00	250 00
Mt. Gilead	W. D. Harward	W. B. Hunter, Stallings, N. C.	21	3		1	1			23	25 00	1 00	50	25	25	20	1 00		28 20	250 00
Mt. Hermon	W. G. Clements	W. I. Beasley, Auburn, N. C.	48						1	47	30 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	50			36 00	500 00
New Bethel	W. G. Clements	J. R. Gardner, New Hill, N. C.	31						1	30	12 00	1 00		50	25	25	1 25		15 75	400 00
New Grove	A. P. Barbee	J. A. Goodwin, Merry Oaks, N. C.	173	15	7		4	2	2	173	75 00	8 00	3 00		75			50	87 25	800 00
New Hope	J. D. Wicker	J. M. King, Royal, N. C.	86	18	1	7	1	5	2	90	60 00	4 00	2 00	2 00	70	50	5 00	10 00	174 20	500 00
Oak Level	J. D. Wicker	A. C. Wicker, Franklinton, N. C.	127	7	1				1	132	125 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	1 50	2 00	10 00		158 50	800 00
Oak Grove Chapel	J. D. Wicker	J. W. Atkins, Williams Mill, N. C.	91	1		2		2	1	87	50 55	6 00	5 00	2 00	20		7 50		71 25	1000 00
Pope's Chapel	G. R. Underwood	Annie L. House, Franklinton, N. C.	106			2		3		104	100 00	4 00	1 00	1 42	1 00	1 00	4 00		113 42	1500 00
Thompson	S. B. Klapp	J. W. Rhodes, Kada, N. C.	53	2	3		1	1	2	48	33 85	75							34 60	600 00
Tusculum																				500 00
Tusculum Union															25	25			1 50	600 00
Tusculum Hill	T. A. Pounds	J. C. Hardee, Benson, N. C.	49	1		6	7	1		36		1 00			54				25 54	400 00
Tusculum Union	L. W. Mangum	W. J. Long, Lillington, N. C.	65					1	10	54	25 00				30	50	2 50		29 50	400 00
Wake Union	W. D. Harwood	T. H. Prince, Massey, N. C.	26	6		4				28	22 20	2 00	1 00	1 00	75	1 00	10 00	91 80	406 39	7000 00
Raleigh	J. L. Foster	Lee Johnson, Raleigh, N. C.	47	25				1		71	281 84	12 00	3 00	3 00	75	1 00	2 42	5 27	113 64	800 00
Shiloh Union	G. R. Underwood	J. C. Kelly, Jonesboro, N. C.	163	12	1	12		3		159	125 00	5 50	2 00	88	1 20	1 00	1 00		29 70	150 00
Sid Lanier	L. F. Johnson	Alma I. Penny, Six Forks, N. C.	15	16						31	27 00	1 00	25	25	20				2 25	500 00
Smith	T. A. Pounds	R. I. Lassiter, Clayton, N. C.	28			1				15		2 50			25				39 40	500 00
Turner's Chapel	A. P. Barbee	A. W. Wicker, Colon, N. C.	59	3			3			59	34 00	2 00			40				203 50	500 00
Union Chapel	J. D. Wicker	J. E. Ballentine, Varina, N. C.	244	16	6		10	7	1	246	98 00	12 50	5 00	5 00	2 00		4 00	4 50	219 00	600 00
Wakefield	J. L. Foster	C. H. Stevenson, Raleigh, N. C.	24	11						35	75 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	50	50	3 00	100 00	21 70	
Wesley Union		Miss Della Grissom, Grissom, N. C.	22	1			1			22	20 00	1 70			5	50	1 00		99 00	1200 00
Youngsville	S. B. Klapp	T. L. Moss, Youngsville, N. C.	22	1	1			1		22	30 00	2 00			50	50		50 00		
Totals			2634	260	38	45	51	48	26	2807	$2275 38	$ 170 22	$ 1[illegible]	$ 51 50	$ 23 49	$ 16 96	$ 103 37	$ 1057 37	$ 3868 81	$ 30150 00

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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Western N. C. Christian Conference

HELD AT

Liberty Christian Church, Randolph Co., N. C.

NOVEMBER 14, 1899.

The Western North Carolina Christian Conference met here in its Sixth Annual session, and was called to order by Rev. P. H. Fleming, President of last session. Religious services were led by Rev. J. W. Hatch.

The Secretary being absent, by request Rev. C. C. Peel acted as Secretary *pro tem.*

By order of the President the roll of ministers, churches and delegates was called.

The following ministers answered: H. A. Albright, P. H. Fleming, J. W. Hatch, H. T. Moffitt, C. C. Peel, J. A. Webster, M. E. Hammer, L. I. Cox, C. A. Boone, J. U. Newman, W. H. Roach, J. W. Parker, W. W. Lawrence.

Ministers Absent:—J. A. Scott, A. J. Cooper, S. H. Way, P. T. Way and J. W. Patton.

Churches and Delegates.—Antioch (R.): W. N. Hayes and R. K. Brady.

Antioch (C.): Not represented.

Asheboro: E. Moffitt and H. C. Rich.

Big Oak: Haywood Morgan and J. B. Cole.

Burlington: W. H. Carroll.

Brown's Chapel: Not represented.
Ceeter Grove: T. J. Bland and W. H. White.
Christian Union: John W. McPherson and J. A. Dunlap.
Clover Orchard: D. B. Allen.
Cumnock: Mrs. W. M. Gunter.
Graham: J. N. H. Clendenin.
Grace's Chapel: J. H. Phillips and J. E. Way.
Hank's Chapel: F. M. Farrell.
High Point: Not represented.
Keyser: Not represented.
Liberty: H. K. Trogdon and O. T. Hatch.
Macedonia: J. H. Wright.
Mt. Pleasant: Not represented.
Mt. Union: Not represented.
New Center: H. F. Way and R. C. Yow.
New Providence: Misses Annie Williams and Fannie Holt.
Parks Cross Roads: M. V. Brooks, W. O. Cox.
Patterson's Grove: J. M. York and J. W. Ellison.
Pleasant Cross: Not represented.
Pleasant Grove: L. E. Brady.
Pleasant Hill: W. G. Murchison and A. E. Fox.
Pleasant Union: N. L. Yates and E. R. Yates.
Pleasant Ridge: J. M. Allred and A. M. Baldwin.
Poplar Branch: B. F. Hunt.
Phillips' Chapel: Not represented.
Ramseur: J. A. Parks and Mrs. —— Holland.
Shady Grove: Hiram Freeman.
Shiloh: S. L. Hayworth and B. S. Moffitt.
Smithwood: P. C. Humble and P. D. Reitzel.
Spoon's Chapel: W. H. McPherson and J. F. McPherson.
St. John's: G. C. Lawrence, R. L. Jordan and Jesse Lamb.
Union Grove: O. P. Brown and R. F. Lynch.
Winder: Not represented.
Zion: S. M. Johnson.

A quorum was declared present, and permanent officers as follows: Rev. P. H. Fleming was elected President. Bro. John T. Moffit, Standing Secretary, resigned said office, and Rev. H. A. Albright was elected to fill his place, with the privillege of selecting his own assistant. Bro. E. Moffit was selected.

At this point the Conference seal was delivered to the Secretary elect in open session.

Bro. C. C. Peel moved that Revs. W. S. Long, of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference; M. L. Hurley, of the Eastern Virginia Conference, W. F. Kennett, of the Methodist Protestant Church, be invited to seats as deliberative members. Also the licentiates present were elected to seats as deliberative members.

The following program was offered the Committee on Programme, and was adopted by the body:

PROGRAMME.

FIRST DAY—TUESDAY.

10: A. M. Call to Order. Religious Services.
10: 30. Organization.
11: 00. Annual Sermon.
12: 00. Adjourn for dinner.

AFTERNOON.

1: 00. Report of Executive Committee.
1: 30. Reading Ministerial Reports.
2: 00. Reading Church Reports.
3: 00. Report of Apportionment Committee.
3: 30. Miscellaneous Business. Adjourn.
7: 30. Preaching.

SECOND DAY—WEDNESDAY.

9: 00 A. M. Call to Order, Religious Services, Roll Call, and Reading Minutes of previous day.
9: 45. Report of Foreign Missions Committee.
10: 45. Report of Religious Literature.
11:30. Miscellaneous Business.
12: 00. Adjourn.

AFTERNOON.

1: 00. Report of Sabbath School Committee.
1: 30. Election of Delegates to General Convention.
2: 00. Report of Committee on Moral Reform.
3: 00. Selection of Place for next Session, and some one to deliver the Annual Address.
3: 30. Miscellaneous Business. Adjourn.
7 : 30. Preaching.

THIRD DAY—THURSDAY.

9: 00. Call to Order, Religious Services, Roll Call, and reading Minutes of previous day.
9: 45. Report on Home Missions.
11: 00. Treasurer's Report.
11: 15. Report of Committee on ANNUAL.
11: 44. Miscellaneous, Memoirs.
12: 00. Adjourn for dinner.

AFTERNOON.

1: 00. Report of Committee on Education.
2: 00. Licensure and Ordination Services.
2: 45. Report of Finance Committee.
3: 00. Miscellaneous Business. Adjourn.
7: 30. Preaching.

On motion, it was decided to have the Annual Sermon at 7: 30 P. M.

On motion, the delegates of this church were constituted a committee on religious services.

Conference adjourned one hour for dinner. Prayer by Rev. J. H. Wright.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 1 P. M. Conference re-assembled, President Fleming presiding.

The Executive Committee made the following report, which was duly adopted :

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your committee beg leave to report that no business has come before us for transaction. It was made our duty to look after the property at Winder, Mt. Pleasant and Staley. We have written to Winder and Mt. Pleasant. The postmaster at Vass answered that we have no membership at Winder. The church building was damaged by a storm last summer, and is not safe in a severe wind. Have not heard from Mt. Pleasant. The church building at Staley is not finished, and there is a debt on the same. We have no membership there.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. ALBRIGHT,
C. C. PEEL,
H. T. MOFFITT.

On motion, Rev. A. D. Woodworth, former Missionary to Japan, Prof. E. L. Moffitt and W. P. Lawrence, were invited to seats as deliberative members.

By reqnest of the President, Dr. W. S. Long introduced Bro. Woodworth to the Conference. The brethren accepted the invitation in a few graceful remarks.

The President filled vacancies on the various committees as follows:

Home Missions—Prof. W. P. Lawrence.

Foreign Missions—Revs. J. U. Newman and J. A. Webster.

Religious Literature—Rev. L. I. Cox.

Sunday Schools—Rev. J. W. Hatch.

Moral Reform—Hon. W. H. Carroll and F. M. Farrell.

Apportionment—Prof. W. P. Lawrence.

Finance—Hon. W. H. Carroll, F. M. Farrell, and E. Moffitt.

Ministerial reports were called, and the following reported: Revs. P. H. Fleming, J. W. Hatch, H. T. Moffitt, C. C. Peel, M. E. Hammer, L. I. Cox, C. A. Boone, J. U. Newman, J. W. Parker, and S. H. Way. Dr. W. S. Long made a verbal statement as to the work at Liberty.

Licentiates—M. A. Baldwin, B. F. Kern and J. H. Wright made their reports as required.

Rev. J. R. Comer sent a letter to the body expressing his regret that he could not be present.

It was moved and carried that the ministers who do not report to this body during the session, shall be written to by the Secretary, and requested to render excuse of failure to report to the Executive Committee.

The church letters were called for.

It was decided, by motion, to read only that part of the church letters referring to the church statistics, finance, and miscellaneous matter.

Moved and carried, that a Tabulating Committee be appointed.

Rev. J. H. Wright, the Secretary and Assistant Secretary, were made that committee:

Rev. C. C. Peel offered the following resolution, which was carried:

Resolved, That the Western North Carolina Christian Conference memorialize the General Convention of the Christian Church, South, and ask that it revise the blank form for Church Letters and of Ministerial Reports to Conference.

On motion, Bro. L. E. Brady was appointed a committee to receive money for annuals ordered by the churches.

The Committee on Apportionment made their report as follows:

APPORTIONMENTS.

CHURCHES.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions	Education.	Superannuated Fund.	Conference Fund.	Convention Fund.	To Educate Young Preachers.
Antioch (R)	$ 2 50	$ 3 00	$ 2 00	$ 1 00	$ 1 00	$ 1 00	$ 1 00
Antioch (C)	2 00	3 00	5 00	50	50	50	50
Asheboro	4 00	5 00	10 00	50	50	50	50
Big Oak	3 00	4 00	5 00	50	50	50	50
Brown's Chapel	5 00	2 00	5 00	50	50	50	50
Burlington	25 00	20 00	25 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
Center Grove	4 00	3 00	5 00	50	50	50	50
Christian Union	3 00	3 00	4 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
Clover Orchard	2 00	3 00	5 00	50	50	50	50
Egypt	2 00	2 00	3 00	50	50	50	50
Graham	5 00	5 00	10 00	50	50	50	50
Grace Chapel	3 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
Hanks Chapel	5 00	4 00	15 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
High Point	2 00	2 00	2 00	50	50	50	50
Reyser	2 00	3 00	5 00	50	50	50	50
Liberty	4 00	4 00	4 00	50	50	50	50
Macedonia	1 00	1 00	2 00	50	50	50	50
Mt. Pleasant	1 50	2 00	1 00	50	50	50	50
Mt. Union	3 00	2 00	4 00	50	50	50	50
New Centre	5 00	3 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
New Providence	10 00	5 00	15 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
Parks X Roads	10 00	10 00	15 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
Pattersons Grove	5 00	3 00	3 00	50	50	50	50
Pleasant Grove	8 00	4 00	12 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
Pleasant Cross	2 00	2 00	1 00	50	50	50	50
Pleasant Ridge	10 00	6 00	6 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
Pleasant Hill	5 00	5 00	10 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
Pleasant Union	5 00	2 00	2 00	50	50	50	50
Poplar Branch	2 00	2 00	5 00	50	50	50	50
Phillips Chapel	2 00	2 00	2 00	50	50	50	50
Ramseur	5 00	3 00	5 00	50	50	50	50
Shady Grove	5 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
Shiloh	5 00	5 00	10 00	1 00	1 00	1 0	1 00
Smithwood	5 00	4 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
Spoons Chapel	2 00	2 00	3 00	50	50	50	50
St. John	10 00	8 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
Union Grove	5 00	5 00	7 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
Winder	1 00	2 00	1 00	50	50	50	50
Zion	10 00	8 00	15 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00

Revs. J. W. Parker, C. C. Peel, Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Rev. J. W. Hatch, and Dr. W. S. Long made talks on the report, after which it was adopted by a vote of 36 to 1.

Adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9 o'clock A. M.

Prayer by Rev. A. D. Woodworth.

NIGHT SESSION.

1. Music by Liberty Choir.

2. Address of Welcome, by Prof. Amick, of the Liberty Normal College.

3. Response, by Hon. W. H. Carroll, of Burlington.

4. Dr. J. U. Newman read a lesson from Acts third chapter, after which Rev. P. H. Fleming preached the annual sermon from Acts 4 : 14.

Adjourned to meet at 9 A. M. to-morrow.

SECOND DAY.

NOVEMBER 8, 1899—9 A. M.

Conference met according to adjournment. Conference called to order by President Fleming.

Religious exercises conducted by Rev. C. C. Peel.

Minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

Moved and carried, that the question of membership of Rev. A. J. Cooper, in the Western North Carolina Christian Conference, be referred to the Educational Committee for investigation and report.

Rev P. H. Flemming was unanimously requested to furnish a copy of his annual sermon for publication in the CHRISTIAN SUN.

Rev. A. P. Barbee was invited to a seat as a deliberative member of this body. In very appropriate words he extended the fraternal greetings from the Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference.

Bro. H. C. Rich was added to Home Mission Committee.

The following Committee on Memoirs was appointed: Revs. J. W. Hatch, C. A. Boone, and H. A. Albright.

The Committee of Foreign Missions made the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Foreign Missions is glad to report that notwithstanding adverse conditions, our work in the unrise Kingdom is in good condition, and making progress. Rev. A. D. Woodward has been compelled to return to America on account of the failing health of his wife, which we very much regret, but as he is to work in the home field in the interest of our work in Japan, and Rev. E. K. McCord and wife are so soon to sail for the foreign field, we trust in God's overruling providence for the success of our work. We also regret to learn of the illness of our dear Bro. Fry; but let us pray for God's directing hand in the work, and His blessings upon it, and seek to do His will in giving to its support. The way has not opened for us to undertake work in Cuba, Porto Rico or the Philippines, but the way is open for us to support with larger contributions, larger faith and more earnest prayers the work already undertaken. We therefore recommend the following:

1. That our people procure and read our literature on Missions.

2. That we make the work of Foreign Missions the subject of prayer and support.

3. That each church raise an amount of not less than that laid down for Foreign Missions in the table of the Apportionment Committee.

4. That the Secretary of this body draw an order on our Treasurer in favor of J. A. Mills, Raleigh, N. C., Treasurer of S. C. C. for the amount now in hand for Foreign Missions, at this sitting of our Conference.

C. C. PEEL,
J. W. HARKER,
J. A. WEBSTER.

Rev. A. D. Woodworth, former Missionary to Japan, gave an interesting and instructive account of manners and customs of the Japanese, and of his work in that field. At the conclusion of his remarks, a collection for Foreign Missions was taken. The sum of $5.25 was raised and was turned over to Bro. A. D. Woodworth, to help bear his expenses, as he is traveling in the interest of the Foreign Mission work.

The Committee on Religious Literature read the following report. After being discussed mainly by Prof. E. L.

Moffitt, who spoke of the different periodicals endorsed by the Conference and the General Convention, the CHRISTIAN SUN especially, it was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We, your committee, are glad to report that our people are more and more coming to be a reading people, and books and papers come in for a larger amount of space on their shelves and tables, and for a larger proportion of their time; but still there is room for great improvement.

With the hope that our people may become still more intelligently informed as to our Church, its principles and its enterprises, we recommend:

1. The hearty endorsement of the CHRISTIAN SUN as the representative of our Church in all its principles and enterprises.

2. That our ministers endeavor to get the SUN into every home in their churches

3. That our people purchase and read more of those books that will help our professions.

4. That our people who can do so take the *Herald of Gospel Liberty* and the *Christian Missionary*.

5. That all our Sunday Schools use our own literature, published at Dayton, Ohio.

E. L. MOFFITT,
L. I. COX.

Rev. P. T. Way refunded to the Conference seven dollars, and his claim of three dollars and fifty cents against the Conference, was referred to the Finance Committee.

Adjourned for dinner one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 1 P. M. Conference was called to order by President Fleming. Prayer by Rev. W. H. Roach.

The Treasurer's report was read, and, on motion, was referred to the Finance Committee.

Ministerial reports were read from Revs. J. W. Patton, P. T. Way, and H. A. Albright. Licentiate Hayes made his report.

On motion, a letter of transfer was granted to Rev. J. W. Patton from this Conference to the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference.

It was moved and carried that the Chair appoint a committee of three to nominate eight delegales to the General Conference to be held at Franklin, Va., next May. Committee: Revs. J. U. Newman, C. C. Peel, and O. T. Hatch.

After some discussion by the brethren, it was, on motion, unanimously decided to hold the next session of this body with the church at Randleman, N. C.

The Committee on Nominations for Delegates to the General Convention, reported as follows: Elders—Revs. P. H. Fleming, C. C. Peel, L. I. Cox, H. A. Albright. Laymen: W. H. Carroll, E. L. Moffiitt, E. C. Phillips, J. N. H. Clendenin.

The report was adopted, and delegates elected as above.

Each delegate voted a right to name his alternate.

Alternates—Elders: Dr. J. U. Newman, Revs. C. A. Boone, W. H. Roach, H. T. Moffitt. Laymen: F. M. Farrell, O. T. Hatch, S. L. Hayworth, Capt. J. A. Turrentine.

Hon. W. H. Carroll was elected to deliver the next annual address. Rev. L. I. Cox elected alternate.

The matter of all churches not reporting is referred to the Home Mission Committee.

Bro. F. M. Farrell offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That each church in the Western North Carolina Conference, at its first Quarterly Conference, appoint an agent to look after the interests of the CHRISTIAN SUN; that it be his duty to try to place the SUN in every family in the Church, and to secure renewals.

(Signed) F. M. FARRELL.

The Committee on Sunday Schools made their report as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Sunday School is the main medium from which the Church receives fertility and life, and is perpetuated from generation to generation, it is all-important that the various pastors, superintendents, teachers and officers be faithful and earnest in their efforts to enlist the interest and co-operation of every citizen in their community.

The last annual session of the Sunday School Convention of the Western North Carolina Christian Conference was held with the Church at Union Grove, and more interest was manifested than ever before.

We recommend that no person be elected as superintendent or teacher who is not an earnest, energetic and faithful Christian worker.

We find from reports that only one church in this Conference fails to carry on a Sunday School. We urge that the brethren and members of this one, organize one as soon as possible, and that we all work more faithfully in the cause of the Sunday School.

We trust that all the ministers and churches in this Conference will seek to make the next annual Convention, which meets at Patterson's Grove, Randolph County, the 27th day of July, 1900, the most important and beneficial in the history of the organization.

We further urge that we use our own Literature, published at Dayton, Ohio.

J. W. HATCH,
L. E. BRADY,
J. A. WEBSTER.

On motion the report was adopted after being discussed by Prof. W. P. Lawrence, Revs. M. L. Hurley, A. D. Woodworth, J. W. Hatch.

The following report on Moral Reform was submitted:

REPORT OF MORAL REFORM.

This is a subject vast and unlimited in scope, and one that should be brought prominently before all of God's people. We see in nearly every phase of life there is a great lack of proper morals. Under the advancing light of the Gospel there are new evils that become more prominent every year, and threaten the moral and spiritual life of the Church of God. The Church of God, recognizing this, should do all in her power to counteract the evil in the world, and to lead her people to the highest Christian life possible, and thus place before the world true examples of morality and purity, by example as well as by precept, which will bring about the desired result. We suggest that this body adopt the following as their attitude towards the evils so prevalent in our country:

1. That we urge our members to abstain from the use, as a beverage, of all intoxicating drinks; that none buy or sell, manufacture or rent property for the business, or give their influence in any way to aid the liquor traffic.

2. That we acknowledge the deplorable condition of the Christian Sabbath, and that we strive for its recovery from the desecrating influences in the world of industry, the literary world, and the fields of amusement; the working of men, excursions on trains and wheels, opening of mails and reading of secular papers, and whatever leads our people from the house of God.

3. That we express our disapprobation of all corrupting forces, such as immoral associations, card playing, wheels of fortune, racing, and futures in the great exchanges.

4. That we deplore the great social evils growing out of dancing, wine and card parties, and whatever corrupts individual character, and makes the home unchristian in practice and result.

5. That we enter our protest against commercial dishonesty, expressed in over-buying, under-paying, avoiding debt by legal quibbling, and all forms of business that do not contain the elements of honesty.

6. That we express our unqualified condemnation of the abuse of the art of picture-making, as seen in our current literature, and upon calendars, posts, etc., and especially that feature which so dishonors womanhood.

7. That we believe our State should take immediate steps, and use all honorable means, in reforming our State prisons and convict farms; and hereby indorse the position taken in this matter by Dr. J. D. Huffham, of the Baptist Church, in this behalf.

8. That we believe that the election of Brigham H. Roberts to represent us in Congress is an attempt to fasten polygamy upon us by law. As Christian people we are of the opinion that it is detrimental to our society and Christian liberty to permit this man to sit among the law-makers of the Nation; and we recommend that a committee be appointed to write our Representatives in Congress expressing the feelings of this body, and to use every honorable means to prepare the way for a constitutional amendment which will root out polygamy.

9. We further recommend, that our ministers from the pulpit be clear and plain against anything that retards moral reform; and that lessons of temperance, and all other phases of moral reform, be taught and instilled in the minds of our children around the fireside and in the Sabbath School.

L. I. COX,
W. H. CARROLL,
F. M. FARRELL.

The report was duly adopted, after being earnestly argued by Rev. L. I. Cox, Hon. W. H. Carroll, Revs. C. C. Peel, H. A. Albright, J. W. Parker; Bros. L. E. Brady and F. M. Farrell.

Hon. W. H. Carroll, Dr. J. U. Newman, and Prof. E. L. Moffitt, were appointed a committee to memorialize Congress as to Mormonism.

Upon the request of Rev. J. A. Scott, the Conference ordered the Secretary to issue a letter of transfer to him from this body.

Moved and carried that the report on Moral Reform be published in the CHRISTIAN SUN as early as possible.

On motion, Conference adjourned till 7 P. M. Prayer by Dr. W. S. Long.

NIGHT SESSION.

7 P. M.—After singing by the choir, Mrs. E. L. Moffitt sang, "The Holy City."

Rev. A. D. Woodworth carried us on a most enjoyable excursion through China, spending some time at the most important points along the way.

Prof. E. L. Moffitt presented the cause of Missionary Association, and secured the following members: Rev. C. C. Peel takes one membership and paid $10.00. Rev. J. U. Newman, one membership. Mrs. J. T. Moffitt, one membership. Conference, one membership, and paid $10.00.

Rev. P. H. Fleming was elected to represent the Conference in the Missionary Association. Adjourned.

THIRD DAY.

NOVEMBER 16, 1899—9 A M.

Conference called to order by the President. Religious services by Rev. C. A. Boone. Roll called.

Minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

The Committee on Home Missions made their report as follows:

REPORT OF HOME MISSION COMMITTTEE.

We, the Home Mission Committee, after having considered the field and the condition of the various churches, commend the following:

1. That Rev. C. C. Peel be paid $25.00 for having served Ramseur Church during the past year, in accordance with the requirements of the last reports of the Home Committee:

2. That Rev. A. P. Barbee be paid $10.00 due him for services rendered at Poplar Branch. (See last report of Home Mission Committee.)

3. That Rev. J. H. Wright be paid $20.00 for reclaiming Keyser and Clover Orchard Churches.

4. That the churches applying for aid for the ensuing Conference year strive, by the grace of God, to pay their own expenses in full, since it is now an opportune time for all the funds that the Conference can possibly raise for Home Missions, to be turned into new fields.

5. That this Conference raise $250, and put a missionary, for half of his time, at Sanford and at Bisco, N. C., or at any other points that in his judgment, and in the judgment of the Home Mission Committee, will yield good results, the selecting of this missionary be left to the Home Mission Committee.

6. That the Home Mission Committee be empowered to provide preaching during the ensuing Conference year to the following churches, provided it can be done without expense to the Home Mission fund: Brown's Chapel, Pleasant Cross, High Point, Keyser, Mt. Pleasant, Mt. Union, and Phillips' Chapel, Antioch (C).

W. P. LAWRENCE,
M. E. HAMMER.

The report was adopted after being discussed by Prof. W. P. Lawrence, Rev. C. C. Peel, Bro. John T. Moffitt, Revs. M. E. Hammer, J. W. Hatch, Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Kev. L. I. Cox, Dr. J. U. Newman, Hon. W. H. Carroll, Bro. Elijah Moffitt, and Rev. A. P. Barbee.

The following persons subscribed the amounts named for the purpose of securing a missionary in our home field:

John T. Moffitt, Asheboro, N. C	$25 00
W. H. Carroll, Burlington, N. C	10 00
E. Moffitt, Asheboro, N. C	25 00
Rev. P. H. Fleming, Burlington, N. C	10 00
O. T. Hatch, Liberty Church, Liberty, N. C	25 00
Rev. H. A. Albright, Moffitt, N. C	2 00
C. C. Peel, Asheboro, N. C. (paid)	10 00
M. E. Hammer, Tillman, N. C. (paid $5.00)	10 00
L. I. Cox, Elon College, N. C	5 00
C. A. Boone, Elon College, N. C	5 00
J. U. Newman, Elon College, N. C	10 00
W. H. Roach, High Point, N. C	5 00
J. W. Parker, Randleman, N. C	10 00
M. A. Baldwin, Cedar Falls, N. C	5 00
Rev. B. F. Kearns, Moffitt, N. C	2 00
Rev. J. H. Wright, Asheboro, N. C	5 00
Bro. T. J. Bland, Rosewood, N. C	1 00

Bro. W. H. White, Rosewood, N. C	1 00
Bro. John W. McPherson, Steeds, N. C	1 00
Mrs. W. M. Gunter. Cumnock, N. C	5 00
Bro. F. M. Farrell, Pittsboro, N. C	10 00
Bro. H. F. Way, Fork Creek, N. C	1 00
Bro. R. C. Yow, Erect, N. C	1 50
Sisters Fannie Holt and Annie Williams, Graham, N. C	5 00
Bro. L. E. Brady, Moffitt, N. C	1 00
Dr. D. H. Albright, Sandy Grove, N. C.. (paid)	10 00
Bro. B. F. Hunt, Jonesboro, N. C	5 00
Bro. T. A. Moffitt, Ramseur, Ramseur, N. C	10 00
Bro. Hiram Freeman, Etha, N. C	5 00
Bros. S. L. Hayworth and B. S. Moffitt, Moffitt, N. C	5 00
Bro. W. H. McPherson, Asheboro, N. C	1 00
Bros. Jesse Lamb and R. L. Jordan, St John, Randleman N. C	5 00
Bro. E. C. Phillips, Brown, N. C	10 00
Prof. W. P. Lawrence, Elon College, N. C	10 00
Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Elon College	5 00
Rev. A. P. Barbee, Jonesboro, N. C	5 00
Capt. J. A. Turrentine, Burlington, N. C	1 00
Rev. A. D. Woodworth, Merom, Ind. (paid)	1 00

Samuel Boggs, Liberty, N. C., subscribed one dollar which was transferred to O. T. Hatch, and is included in his subscription.

Rev. W. B. Amick, of the Methodist Protestant Church, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member of this body.

It was moved and carried that the Treasurer be furnished with a list of the above subscribers, and that the pastor of each church send the money collected to the Treasurer of this Conference.

Moved and carried that the missionary selected be required to report quarterly to the Chairman of the Home Mission Committee, and upon the approval of said Chairman, the Secretary shall draw an order on the Treasurer of Conference for the amount of the quarterage due said missionary.

The Committee on Finance made the following report:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, your Finance Committee, report that we have examined the Treasurer's Report, together with the books and vouchers and find them correct.

After investigating the claim of Bro. P. T. Way for $3.50, being for services rendered, we recommend that the Secretary draw an order on the Treasurer for said amount and send to him at once.

We further find that there are certain notes in the hands of the Treasurer, due and unpaid by certain students of Elon College, we therefore recommend, that these amounts be collected by the Treasurer at once, and paid into the Educational Fund for future use, subject to the order of the Executive Committee.

F. M. FARRELL,
W. H. CARROLL,
E. MOFFITT.
Committee.

Argued by Hon. W. H. Carroll, Bro. F. M. Farrell, Prof. E. L. Moffitt, and others, and was duly adopted.

The report of the Treasurer having been approved by the Finance Committee, was adopted:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

1899.			
Nov. 14	To balance for last year		$ 83 30
	To collections at Center Grove		178 53
	By cash paid out	162 90	
	Balance on hand	98 93	
		$ 261 83	$ 261 83

HOME MISSIONS.

1899.	To balance from last year		$ 72 36
Nov. 14	To collections at Center Grove		81 80
1898.			
Nov. 19	By cash W. C Wicker	$ 12 50	
	By cash E. L. Moffitt	5 00	
	By cash M. L. Hurley	20 00	
	By cash G. R. Underwood	12 50	
1899.			
June 14	By cash W. C. Wicker	12 50	
Sept. 4	By cash W. C. Wicker	6 25	
	Balance on hand	85 41	
		$ 154 16	$ 154 16

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

1898.			
	To collection at Center Grove		$ 65 15
Feb. 12	By cash to J A. Mills	$ 64 15	
	Balance on hand	1 00	
		$ 65 15	$ 65 15

EDUCATION.

1898.			
	To balance on hand for last year		$ 7 30
	Collection Center Grove		20 22
Dec. 6	By cash to T. E. White	$ 25 00	
	Balance on hand	2 52	
		$ 27 52	$ 27 52

CONTINGENT FUND.

1898.			
Nov. 19	To balance on hand		$ 2 98
	To collections at Conference		10 57
	By cash paid E. L. Moffitt	$ 5 00	
	Balance on hand	8 55	
		$ 13 55	$ 13 55

PUBLISHING HOUSE FUND.

To cash on hand		90

SUPERANNUATED FUND.

To cash on Land		55
I hold the following notes:		
L. I. Cox	$ 25 00	
Henry Cassaday	35 00	
L. I. Cox	25 00	
W. D. Harward	35 00	
J. R. Corner	22 00	
T. E. White	25 00	
T. E. White	25 00	
	$ 192 00	

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. TURRENTINE, *Treasurer.*

The Tabulating Committee made their report, which was adopted.

Upon motion of Rev. J. W. Hatch, it was decided to institute a "Banner List," and all churches having paid their pastor's salary and all Conference assessments in full, shall be placed upon said list, and their names so designated in the Annual.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Home Missions be given authority to use any surplus that may be in the hands of the Treasurer of the Conference, to the credit of Home Missions, (over and above the amount voted to the regular Missionary), to be used toward the building up of onr church at new points, or for the revival of old churches as the committee may deem wise and proper. L. I. COX.

Bill of Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Publishing Agent, for one dollar and twenty-five cents, was referred to Finance Committee.

The Committee on Memoirs made their report, which was adopted by a rising vote of Conference and of the congregation:

REPORT ON MEMOIRS.

Your Committee, to whom was referred the subject of Memoirs, would report that since our last sitting Conference, death has entered the ranks of the ministry. Our dear brother, Rev. J. S. Lawrence, has been claimed, has been removed from our midst. His place in the family, in the church, in his community, has been emptied, his seat in Conference has been forever vacated.

Brethren, brother Lawrence's genial face and gentle manners will never greet us again as we come together in our annual gatherings.

Resolved 1st., That while we regret sorely the loss of our brother, that we bow with submission unto God the Giver of all good, and who does all things well.

Resolved 2nd, That we will reverently cherish and emulate the noble and worthy qualities and graces of our departed brother.

Resolved 3rd, That we will, by the help of God, close up the break in our ranks, and by His aid, march forward to victory till we shall strike

hands with our brother gone before, on the shores of everlasting deliverance, peace and happiness. Respectfully,

J. W. HATCH,
C. A. BOONE,
H. A. ALBRIGHT.
Committee.

Revs. J. W. Hatch, J. A. Webster, H. A. Albright, W. F. Kennett, P. H. Fleming, M. A. Baldwin, Bros. L. E. Brady, E. L. Yow, and others, spoke pleasantly of the memory of Rev. J. S. Lawrence, deceased.

Adjourned one hour for dinner.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

NOVEMBER 16, 1899.

At 1 P. M.—Conference called to order by the President.

It was moved and carried that Conference express sympathy toward Rev. P. T. Way and family, in the severe afflictions through which they have recently had to pass, and that the Secretary of this body is instructed to write to Bro. Way and family, and express the same to them.

Rev. D. A. Long, D. D., presented a letter of withdrawal from the Southern Ohio Christian Conference, and he is hereby regularly received as a member of the Western North Carolina Christian Conference and his name enrolled accordingly.

The Committee on Education made their report as follows:

EDUCATIONAL REPORT.

We recommend that,

1. J. O. Cox, a member of the church at Union Grove and student at Elon College be admitted into the Biblical Class.

2. The ordination of Rev. J. H. Wright and the licensure of Bro. T. E. White.

3. Lincentiates, B. F. Kearns, M. A. Baldwin, W. N. Hayes pursue the course prescribed by our church for those seeking Elder's orders.

4. The names of A. D. Hamilton, R. F. Johnson and Henry Vuncanon be dropped from the Biblical class, for failure to report as required by this body. For the same reason the license of D. R. Stinson and W. R. Julian be revoked.

5. A. A. Moffitt, Jr., failed to make any report at this session.

6. As Rev. A. J. Cooper has united with another denomination, his name be striken from roll of elders and his credentials revoked.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Notes in hands of Treasurer as follows:

W. D. Harward	$ 35 00
J. R. Comes	22 00
H. H. Cassady	25 00
L. I. Cox	70 00
T. E. White	50 00
Total of notes	$ 202 00
Cash	92 72
	$ 294 72

Elon College is no longer an experiment. Its growth and influence are the pride of the church. We recommend that the ministers and laymen of this Conference increase their efforts to influence our young people to avail themselves of the rich opportunities, intellectual and spiritual, which it offers.

We recommend that Rev. Dr. D. A. Long of Southern Ohio Conference, be received as an Elder in this body.

J. U. NEWMAN,
C. C. PEEL,
P. H. FLEMING.

The report was ably discussed by Dr. J. U. Newman, and Dr. D. A. Long. The report was then unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That the Secretary of Conference be directed to procure books and record the proceedings of this and former Conferences since the organization of the Western N. C. Christian Conference.

[Signed.] L. I. COX.

The resolution was adopted without opposition. It was made the duty of the Executive Committee, and of the Secretary, to agree as to the pay for said work. The Finance Committe, submitted this additional report:

We recommend the payment of Prof. E. L. Moffitt's account of one dollar and twenty-five cents for furnishing church and ministerial blanks.

F. M. FARRELL,
E. MOFFITT.

The account of seventy-five cents for postage, during the past year, was allowed Bro. John T. Moffitt, former Secretary, and ordered to be paid, and Bro. Moffitt donated the same to Home Mission fund.

The hour having arrived for licensure and ordination services, Rev. L. I. Cox presented Bro. T. E. White for licensure, in accordance with the government of the Christian Church.

Rev. P. H. Fleming presented the Rev. J. H. Wright for ordination. Dr. J. U. Newman, Dr. D. A. Long, and Rev. C. C. Peel, ordaining presbytery, performed the services of ordination. The whole service was solemn and impressive.

The President announced the standing committees as follows:

Executive Committee—Rev. C. C. Peel, J. U. Newman, W. W. Lawrence, and P. H. Fleming.

Education—Dr. J. U. Newman, Revs. C. C. Peel, H. T. Moffitt, and Dr. D. A. Long.

Home Missions—Prof. W. P. Lawrence, Rev. M. E. Hammer, and J. T. Moffitt.

Foreign Missions—Rev. J. H. Wright, E. C. Phillips, and Rev. J. W. Parker.

Religious Literature—Prof. E. L. Moffitt, J. N. H. Clendenin, and O. T. Hatch.

Moral Reform—Rev. L. I. Cox, W. H. Carroll, and F. M. Farrell.

Sunday Schools—Rev. J. R. Comer, C. A. Boone, and L. E. Brady.

Moved and carried, that the name of Dr. D. A. Long be added to the Educational Committee, and the name of the Rev. P. H. Fleming be added to Executive Committee.

The committee appointed to receive money for the annual made his report, and was instructed to pay the amount raised to the Treasurer, and that the Treasurer pay to E. L. Moffitt as soon as collected.

Moved and carried, that the amount in hand raised for Elon College be paid over to John A. Mills, Treasurer of the General Convention.

The following resolution of L. I. Cox and F. M. Farrell as to the vote of thanks was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we record, by a rising vote, our high appreciation of the very hospitable manner in which we have been entertained by the pastor, the members of the church, the good people of Liberty, and the community during this session, and we c erish and carry to our homes many fond recollections of ur pleasant stay and association with them, and especially to Bro. O. T. Hatch for his untiring efforts and special attention given this body.

L. I. COX,
F. M. FARRELL.

Moved and carried, that Dr. J. U. Newman be instructed to pass upon the minutes of today, before they go to print.

Moved and carried, that the Treasurer pay ninety cents for annuals out of the publishing funds.

Moved and carried to adjourn to meet with St. John's Church, Randleman, on Tuesday, after the second Sunday in November, 1900.

P. H. FLEMING *President.*

H. A. ALBRIGHT, *Secretary.*

E. MOFFITT, *Assistant Secretary.*

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

NAMES.	CHURCHES IN CHARGE.	No Sermons Preached.	No Lectures Delivered	No Prayer-meetings Held.	No Conversions in Pastoral Charge.	No Members Received.	No Persons Baptized.	No Pastoral Visits Paid.	No Funeral Services Performed.	No Marriages Solemnized.	Sundays Not Engaged.	Amount of Salary Paid.
L. I. Cox	Smithwood, Salem Chapel, Belews Creek, Kallam Grove, New Lebanon, Happy Home	111	5	15	70	47	36	255	6	----	----	$450 00
P. H. Fleming	Burlington	96	1	45	13	15	8	406	5	11	----	--------
C. A. Boone	No Charge	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	4	--------
J. W. Hatch	No Charge	6	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	4	--------
M. E. Hammer	Union Grove, Pleasant Grove, New Center, Antioch (C), Christian Union	150	8	25	102	87	39	----	6	1	----	194 00
W. W. Lawrence	Browns Chapel	30	12	----	3	3	----	35	1	----	3	8 00
H. T. Moffitt	No Charge	16	4	4	----	----	----	----	----	1	4	--------
J. U. Newman	Elon College	30	10	5	20	6	----	50	1	3	1	50 00
J. W. Parker	Shiloh, St. John's, Parks Cross Roads, Pleasant Ridge, Pleasant Cross	186	----	50	275	122	72	800	17	7	----	362 25
C. C. Peel	Union, Asheboro, Ramseur	75	3	20	15	13	5	300	4	1	----	450 00
S. H. Way	No Charge	4	10	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	3	--------
P. T. Way	No Charge											
J. W. Patten	Pleasant Grove, Ingram, Hebron, South Boston	105	----	----	23	20	10	185	----	6	----	385 00
H. A. Albright	Antioch (R)	20	6	7	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	5 31
W. N. Hayes	No Charge	20	6	8	----	----	----	----	----	5	----	--------
J. A. Webster	Associate pastor of Patterson's Grove	35	16	2	15	14	12	50	----	2	3	--------
M. A. Baldwin	Patterson's Grove, Pleasant Union, Centre Grove	81	9	11	36	25	----	148	8	----	1	86 90
W. H. Roach	High Point, two Mission Points	42	----	----	8	29	----	----	7	9	----	--------
J. H. Wright	Pleasant Hill, Keyser, Clover Orchard, Macedonia, Sage Garden	112	38	28	8	1	----	----	3	----	----	135 25

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES.	Amount Paid Pastor.	Home Misslons.	Foreign Missions.	Schoools and Colleges.	Conference Fund.	Convention Fund.	Superannuated Fund.	Total Paid.	Educate Young Preachers.	Other P rpose	Value Church Property.
Antioch (C)	M E Hammer, Tillman	$ 26 30	$ 1 81	$	$ 1 00	$ 21	$	$	$	$	$ 1 50	$
Antioch (R)	H A Albright, Moffitt	5 31	1 00	50					6 81			400 00
Asheboro	C C Peel Asheboro	292 00	4 60	3 30					377 89	2 09	59 00	2,000 00
Big Oak	J R Comer, Spencerville	27 25	1 40	3 31						1 35		
Browns Chapel												
Burlington	P H Fleming, Burlington	475 57	25 00	18 00	25 00	1 00				1 00		6,000 00
Centre Grove	M A Baldwin, Cedar Falls	46 00	4 00	3 80	5 00	38				1 55	5 00	750 00
Christian Union	M E Hammer, Tillman	25 27	2 00	3 25	4 00				34 52			200 00
Clover Orchard	J H Wright, Asheboro	17 00	2 00	1 00		50	50	50	21 50			
Cumnock	A P Barbee, Jonesboro		3 00	3 00		2 00	44	32	10 76	2 00		
Graham	W C Wicker, Elon College	120 00	5 00	1 50	1 00		1 00		332 48		212 48	1,750 00
Grace Chapel	A P Barbee. Jonesboro	32 85	1 50	1 50					35 85			600 00
Hanks Chapel	G R Underwood, Osgood	68 14	3 62	2 10		1 07	57			1 03		
High Point	W H Roach, High Point		3 00	1 00								1,200 00
Keeser	J H Wright, Asheboro	30 00	1 00	2 20		50	50	25	34 45			800 00
Liberty	Dr W S Long, Elon College		4 00	2 40	4 00	24			31 66			500 00
Macedonia	J H Wright, Asheboro		50	50		25	25		1 50			
Mt. Union												
Mt. Pleasant												
New Centre	M E Hammer, Tillman	43 25	3 21	3 49	5 00				54 75			400 00
New Providence	B F Black, Elon College	124 45	10 00	5 00		2 00						3,000 00
Parks X Roads	J W Parker, Randleman	61 00	3 00	2 45					66 45			1,000 00
Pattersons Grove	M A Baldwin. Cedar Falls	20 78	1 05	1 10					22 93			500 00
Pleasant Cross	J W Parker Randleman											
Pleasant Grove	M E Hammer, Tillman	60 00	3 00	2 25	6 15				92 90		20 00	900 00
Pleasant Hill	J H Wright, Asheboro	60 00	4 00	2 00		1 00	50		91 25		23 75	1,000 00
Pleasant Ridge	J W Parker, Randleman	42 75	3 00	4 55					54 80		4 50	800 00
Pleasant Union	M A Baldwin, Cedar Falls	25 70	1 00	1 08							17 68	550 00
Poplar Branch	A P Barbee, Jonesboro	30 00	2 00	3 10		26			41 36			1,000 00
Phillips Chapel												
Ramseur	C C Peel, Asheboro		3 00	2 00	5 00				127 00		117 00	800 00
Shady Grove	J R Comer, Spencerville	44 15	1 56	3 00	5 00					1 45		1,000 00
Shiloh	J W Parker, Randleman	36 00	3 25	3 25						1 35		800 00
Smithwood	L I Cox, Elon College	75 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	50		50	94 50	50	12 00	500 00
Spoons Chapel	B F Kerns, Moffitt	18 12		1 00					19 12			200 00
St. John	J W Parker, Randleman	82 75	2 61	2 00					134 83		25 00	800 00
Union Grove	M E Hammer, Tillman	33 00	3 00	5 00					41 00			1,000 00
Winder												
Zion	G R Underwood, Osgood	75 00	3 76	2 70		30						700 00
Total Received			$ 112 27	$93 33	$73 15	$10 21	$ 3 76	$ 1 57	$	$12 32	$497 91	$

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CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	SECRETARIES AND POST OFFICES.
Antioch (C)	W E Hammer	Fannie Oldham, Goldston
Antioch (P)	H A Albright	W W Brady, Moffitt
Asheboro	C C Peel	T J Moffitt, Asheboro
Big Oak	J R Comer	Naomi Bailey, Big Oak
Brown's Chapel		
Burlington	P H Fleming	Jno R Foster, Burlington
Centre Grove	M A Baldwin	B L White, Rosewood
Christian Union	M E Hammer	C McNeill, Why Not
Clover Orchard	J H Wright	T F McVey. Snow Camp
Cumnock	A P Parker	W M Gunter, Cumnock
Graham	W C Wicker	J D Kernodle, Graham
Grace Chapel	A P Barbee	K B Way, Sanford
Hank's Chapel	G R Underwood	A Hatch, Pittsboro
High Point	W H Roach	A V Driver, High Point
Keyser	J H Wright	P J Harris, Keyser
Liberty	W D Long D D	Miss Carrie C Hatch, Liberty
Macedonia	J H Wright	Levi Tucker, Asheboro
Mt. Pleasant		
Mt. Union		
New Centre	W C Hammer	E E McNeill, Why Not
New Providence	B F Black	J M Turner, Graham
Parks X Roads	J W Parker	R W York, Kildee
Patterson's Grove	M A Baldwin	John A Elleson, Franklinville
Pleasant Cross	J W Parker	
Pleasant Grove	M E Hammer	A L Brady, Cheak
Pleasant Hill	J H Wright	D H Albright, Sandy Grove
Pleasant Ridge	J W Parker	W E Allred, Ramseur
Pleasant Union	M A Baldwin	W R Harris, Jackson Creek
Poplar Branch	A P Barbee	Gordon Parish,
Phillips Chapel		
Ramseur	C C Peel	S A Moffitt, Ramseur
Shady Grove	J R Comer	Hiram Freeman, Ether
Shiloh	J W Parker	B S Moffitt, Moffitt
Smithwood	L I Cox	P D Reitzel, Liberty
Spoon's Chapel	B F Kerns	S H Kinney, Franklinville
St. John	J W Parker	G A Hendrix, Randleman
Union Grove	M E Hammer	J N Cagle, Brown
Winder		
Zion	S R Underwood	J A Kelly, Osgood
Total		

STATISTICS, 1899.

No Last Report.	No Received Since.	No Dismissed by Letter.	No Suspended.	Withdrawn.	Died.	Expelled.	Present Membership.	How Often Do You Have Regular Preaching Per Mo.	Have You Prayer-meeting Kept up in Church.	Are the Sacraments Duly Observed.	NAMES OF PASTORS FOR 1900.
81	5	1	--	2	2	--	81	1	No	Yes	
32	----	1	--	--	--	--	31	1	No	Yes	H A Albright.
28	5	--	--	--	--	--	33	4	No	Yes	C C Peel.
48	13	--	--	--	--	--	61	1	Yes	Yes	
------	----	--	--	--	--	--	------	----	----	----	
192	15	2	--	--	1	--	204	4	Yes	Yes	P H Fleming.
43	2	2	--	2	2	1	38	1	Yes	No	M A Baldwin.
71	14	1	--	--	--	--	84	1	No	Yes	M E Hammer.
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38	9	2	--	--	--	--	44	1	----	----	A P Barbee.
28	5	--	--	--	--	--	33	2	No	Yes	R H Rowland
81	8	3	--	4	--	--	83	1	No	Yes	A P Barbee.
143	9	4	--	--	3	3	142	1	No	Yes	G R Underwood.
------	1	--	--	--	--	12	------	----	No	----	J H Wright.
21	1	--	--	--	--	--	22	1	No	No	W S Long, D D.
27	----	--	--	--	3	--	24	1	Yes	Yes	J H Wright.
16	----	--	--	--	--	--	16	----	----	----	
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------	----	--	--	--	--	--	------	----	----	----	M E Hammer.
95	39	--	--	2	2	--	130	1	Yes	Yes	C H Roland.
99	----	6	--	--	1	--	92	2	No	Yes	J W Parker.
111	4	1	--	--	--	--	114	1	No	----	M A Baldwin.
49	13	--	--	--	--	--	62	1	No	Yes	B F Kerns.
------	----	--	--	--	--	--	------	----	----	----	M E Hammer.
274	15	1	2	--	3	--	283	1	No	Yes	J H Wright.
133	----	1	--	8	2	--	120	1	No	No	J W Parker.
122	5	5	--	--	3	--	119	1	No	Yes	M A Baldwin.
49	10	--	--	1	--	1	57	1	Yes	Yes	A P Barbee.
25	6	--	--	--	--	--	31	1	No	Yes	
------	----	--	--	--	--	--	------	----	----	----	C C Peel.
20	2	--	--	1	--	--	21	1	No	Yes	J R Comer.
90	----	--	--	2	--	1	87	1	Yes	Yes	J W Parker.
144	15	5	--	--	1	--	153	1	No	Yes	L I Cox.
57	1	--	--	--	2	--	55	----	----	----	B F Kerns.
38	----	--	--	1	--	--	37	1	Yes	No	J W Parker.
140	78	--	--	--	1	--	217	1	Yes	Yes	M E Hammer.
83	10	--	--	5	--	--	70	1	No	Yes	
------	----	--	--	--	--	--	------	----	----	----	S R Underwood.
193	----	2	17	--	--	2	172	1	No	Yes	
2,523	285	37	19	30	26	21	2,754	----	----	----	

SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	SECRETARIET AND POST OFFICES.
Antioch (C)	Eddis Oldham	Belle Burke, Goldston
Antioch (P)	R K Brady	W W Brady, Moffitt
Asheboro	E Moffitt	C A Ledbetter, Asheboro
Big Oak	D C McKinnon	J A T Copeland, Big Oak
Brown's Chapel		
Burlington	Jno R Foster	Dr Ed A Crawford, Burlington
Centre Grove	B L White	C E Thomas, Rosewood
Christian Union	J H Owen	J A Dunlap, Long Leaf
Clover Orchard	T F McVey	Daniel Allen, Snow Camp
Cumnock	W M Gunter	Mrs Mollie Gunter, Cumnock
Graham	W H Forshee	Tom Hardin, Graham
Grace Chapel	Willis Forshee	R B Cozzin, Jonesboro
Hank's Chapel	Rev J W Hatch	Lilla Farrall, Pittsboro
High Point	R A Proctor	C B Gunter, High Point
Keyser	Wm Keith	W R Harris, Keyser
Liberty	O T Hatch	J O Overman, Liberty
Macedonia	No church building	
Mt. Pleasant		
Mt. Union		
New Centre	H F Way	A L Davis, Fork Creek
New Providence	Sunday School	
Parks' X Roads	J A Barker	H O Vestal, Marley's Mills
Pattersons Grove	John A Ellison	F C Holliday, Franklinville
Pleasant Grove	L W Lowdermilk	———————, Cheeks
Pleasant Cross		
Pleasant Hill	J W Lashley	MissMollyMurchison,Mud Lick
Pleasant Ridge	B S Scott	Miss Williamson, Ramseur
Pleasant Union	Jerry McDonald	Ernest Gates, Jackson Creek
Poplar Branch	F O Lenard	Jettis Thomas, Jonesboro
Phillips Chapel		
Ramseur	J A Park	Burny Scott, Ramseur
Shady Grove	D. K McLeod	R D Kerns, Martin's Mills
Shiloh	Mrs S L Hayworth	Miss Mary Albright, Moffitt
Smithwood	N Low	Thos Robertson, Liberty
Spoons Chape	A J Evans	M E Kinney, Empies
St. John	T R Lamb	G A Hendrix, Randleman
Union Grove	O P Brown	B B Phillips, Brown
Winder		
Zion	J A Kelly	W D Buckham, Osgood
Totals		

STATISTICS, 1899.

No Schools.	No Classes.	Number Officers and Teachers.	No Pupils.	Total Number in Sunday School.	Number Volumes in Library.	Total Amount Raised by Sunday School.	Do You Use Our Own Literature.
1	3	5	34	39	--------	$ 4 00	Yes
1	3	3	15	18	--------	--------	Yes
1	5	8	40	48	--------	19 99	Yes
1	3	6	44	50	--------	3 25	No
1	9	12	187	199	214	89 08	Yes
1	3	5	40	45	--------	4 20	Yes
1	2	5	48	53	--------	--------	--------
1	3	4	54	58	--------	4 00	No
1	5	7	50	57	--------	--------	Yes
1	4	6	40	46	--------	15 00	Yes
1	3	5	47	52	--------	6 00	No
1	4	8	60	68	--------	8 00	Yes
1	3	5	35	40	--------	6 54	Yes
1	4	5	17	22	50	3 83	No
1	4	7	26	33	54	5 36	Yes
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1	5	7	98	105	--------	2 80	Yes
1	3	6	30	36	--------	1 00	No
1	5	9	60	69	--------	5 00	Yes
1	3	6	40	46	50	1 50	No
1	6	8	100	108	--------	8 00	Yes
1	5	7	70	77	100	1 50	Yes
1	3	5	35	40	--------	1 00	No
1	4	7	68	75	--------	2 69	No
1	3	5	35	40	--------	8 00	Yes
2	6	12	70	82	--------	7 50	Yes
1	4	7	55	62	--------	5 31	Yes
1	4	5	55	60	--------	4 00	Yes
1	3	11	53	64	37	2 86	Yes
1	6	9	150	159	--------	22 47	Yes
1	4	6	65	71	--------	2 17	Yes
1	5	7	94	101	--------	7 25	Yes
32	126	208	1,715	1,923	505	$ 253 30	--------

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

SEVENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

N. C. and Virginia Christian Conference

HELD AT

Bethel Church, Caswell County, N. C.

FIRST DAY.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1899.

The North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference was called to order with the above named Church today, by Rev. J. O. Atkinson, who conducted the opening religious exercises.

The following elders were enrolled:—Revs. J. O. Atkinson, T. B. Dawson, J. W. Holt, A. F. Isley, P. T. Klapp, W. S. Long, T. W. Strowd, J. W. Wellons, J. W. Patton.

Licentiates—J. S. Carden, G. W. Tickle, J. W. Fonville.

Lay Delegates—Apples Chapel; D. E. Michael, Robt. A. Thomas.

Bethlehem—J. D. Simpson, C. R. Kernoodle, J. M. Ross, C. M. Prichett.

Bethel—J. E. Herndon, J. W. O'Ferrell.

Belew's Creek—A. J. Linville.

Big Falls—W. T. Walters.

Concord—Daniel Garrison, J. W. Ferrell.

Durham—W. H. Hunnicutt, F. C. Goss.

Elon College—S. A. Holleman.
Goshen Chapel—W. H. West.
Haw River—H. V. Simpson.
Happy Home—J. W. Foster, W. H. Davis.
Hebron—A. C. Forlines.
Hines Chapel—Ed. W. Walker.
Howards Chapel—G. W. Suits, W. B. Madison.
Ingram—L· E. Carlton, Miss Myrtle Boyd.
Kallam Grove—D. F. Wilson.
Lebanon—W. L. Taylor, W. L. Wells.
Lexington—No delegate.
Longs Chapel—W. J. Fitch, J. B. Rodgers.
Mt. Bethel—T. W. Price, J. G. Price.
Mt. Zion—A. H. Christopher, Mrs. Pattie White.
New Lebanon—W. H. Sharp, W. T. Moore.
Pleasant Grove—W. O Farmer.
Pleasant Ridge—Not represented.
Salem Chapel—J. A. Strader, Mrs. Nancy Strader.
Sage Gargen—Not represented.
Shallow Ford—W. D. Walker, G. D. Cobb.
South Boston—Not represented.
Union (N. C.)—J. W. Gilliam, E. W. Wilkins, W. A. McCauley.
Union (Va.),—L. L. Elliott, E. C. A. Tuck.

Rev. J. O. Atkinson was chosen President, and Walter L. Taylor, Assistant Secretary.

Vacancies in Standing Committees were filled as follows:

Religious Litertaure—W. S. Long, J. W. Wellons, L. E. Carlton.

Sunday Schools—H. V. Simpson.

The Annual Address was then delivered by Prof. S. A. Holleman. Subject, "The Christian Church and its Attitude Towards Society.

Conference voted thanks to Prof. Holleman for his instructive address, and asked for a copy of same for publication in the CHRISTIAN SUN.

On motion, D. E. Michael was appointed to receive subscriptions to the *Christian Annual.*

On motion, Revs. L. I. Cox, C. C. Peel, J. W. Patton, A. D. Woodworth and Prof. E. L. Moffitt, were invited to seats in Conference as deliberative members.

Rev. C. C. Peel came as a fraternal messenger from the Western North Carolina Christian Conference.

The pastor and deacons of Bethel were appointed a committee on religious exercises.

Conference adjourned for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order by the President. Prayer by the Secretary.

Upon recommendation of the Committee on Education, Rev. J. W. Patton was admitted as a member of the Conference by letter of transfer from the Western North Carolina Christian Conference.

On motion, the name of Rev. A. D. Woodworth was substituted in lieu of Rev. J. O. Atkinson, to deliver a sermon on missions before this Conference.

A committee of three was appointed to receive petitions for the next session of Conference. Committee: J. W. Patton, E. W. Walker, W. T. Walters.

Church letters were called for and read.

A committee was appointed to nominate delegates to the next session of the Southern Christian Convention, to be held in Franklin, Va., May next. Committee: Rev. A. F. Isley, G. W. Tickle and G. D. Cobb.

Ministerial reports were called for and read.

On motion, thirty minutes at 11 o'clock A. M. to-morrow was made the special order for Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Secretary of the Christian Missionary Association.

Conference adjourned until 9:30 A. M. to-morrow.

Benediction by Rev. L. I. Cox.

SECOND DAY.

NOVEMBER 22, 1899, 9:30 A. M.

Conference called to order by the President. Religious exercises by Rev. J. W. Patton.

Roll called and minutes of first day read and approved.

Ministerial report of Rev. T. W. Strowd was read.

A letter from Rev. W. G. Clements, Fraternal Messenger, appointed by the Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference, was read.

Rev. J. W. Patton was appointed to deliver the Annual Sermon before the next session of this Conference, with Rev. W. S. Long as his alternate.

The following, offered by Prof. S. A. Holleman, was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That Conference, through its Secretary, urge Hon. W. W. Kitchen, of this Congressional District, to use all honorable means to prevent the seating of Mr. Roberts, of Utah, as a member of the Congress of the United States, on account of his avowed profession as a Polygamist.

Resolved further, That in like manner we ask our United States Senators to use all means available to secure an amendment to the Constitution to disfranchise the professed Polygamist.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

We find that our cause at Durham, N. C., has made but little progress the past year. We think the time has come when this point should depend more upon its own resources. We favor ninety dollars to this point from Home Mission Fund next year.

The appropriation made to South Boston, Va, one year ago remains in the hands of our Treasurer for appropriation at this Conference.

New Lebanon does not ask for further assistance.

Goshen Chapel asks for help next year.

Big Falls Church was destroyed by a cyclone last June. They ask for help to rebuild and also to pay their pastor. We favor giving such help as we can.

Haw River seems to be doing well and discharging its indebtedness in a commendable way. We favor giving fifty dollars to this point from the Church Extension Fund.

The chairman of this committee was unable to find out anything with regard to our interests at Lexington, N. C.

Greensboro, N. C. seems to be an inviting point to us, and we favor employing a missionary one-fourth of his time to labor there at the rate of a salary of one hundred dollars a year from the Home Mission Fund, payable quarterly, said Missionary to work under the directions of this committee.

A monthly appointment was kept up a part of the past year by the chairman of the committee at Mebane, N. C., but the interest there does not warrant any further attempts at present.

Friends in the neighborhood of Loftis, Va., are anxious for the services of a minister to help in the establishment of a Christian Church in their community. We recommend that Rev. J. W. Patton look after this point.

We recommend quarterly reports and quarterly payments for all points aided from the Home Mission Fund.

Appropriations from the Church Extension Fund to be made in single payments when called for by the official authority of the points receiving the appropriation.

Nelson's School-house is another point near Clarksville, Va., to which we suggest that Bro. Patton give some effort.

J. W. HOLT,
S. A. HOLLEMAN,
H. V. SIMPSON.

After discussion the report was adopted.

The report on Foreign Missions was made a special order upon reassembling of Conference after the noon recess to-day.

Prof. E. L. Moffitt took the floor in behalf of the Christian Missionary Association as per special order of yesterday.

Rev. J. O. Atkinson then preached from John xi: 28.

Conference adjourned for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President. Prayer by Rev. W. S. Long.

Rev. P. H. Fleming, a fraternal messenger from the Western North Carolina Christian Conference, was invited to a seat in Conference as a deliberative member.

The special order, the report on Foreign Missions, was discussed and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Our Japan Mission, from the latest official report, gives us the following statistics July 1, 1899: Stations 2; out stations, 25, churches 7; members, males, 230, females, 102; total, 332; additions, 65; baptisms, 57; missionaries, 5; native evangelists, 7; Bible women, 3; theological students, 3; other helpers, 2; Sunday schools, 15; Sunday school scholars, 594; day schools, 1; pupils, 20; money raised by natives 218.

Notwithstanding the difficulties with which our dear beloved missionaries had to contend, we are thankful that their labors were not in vain, for our dear Father has crowned their efforts with an encouraging degree of success. We regret that it became necessary for our dear brother, A. D. Woodworth, on account of his wife not being able to stand the climate of Japan, was compelled to return to America. Bro. Woodworth was in the hands of God, used to do a good work in Japan, and for which we thank our Father in Heaven.

No steps, by our people, as yet, have been taken to open a work in Cuba, Porto Rico, or the Philippines. The condition of those countries is so unsettled that we deem it impracticable to undertake it now.

We think the time has fully come when the Christian Church North and South should put forth her best efforts, and take her stand side by side with other evangelical denominations in taking the world for Christ. This country has been Christianized through the agency and by the spirit of Foreign Missions, and we owe to others as much as others have done for us. We have freely received, and in return we should freely give. We have been put under special obligations to do much for the unification of the Church and the salvation of the world, since we have received from God such heaven-born principles as the Christians claim. That which has been done for us makes us debtors, not to the flesh, but to God, through whose love we have been saved. (Rom. viii:12.) We have been asking for the heathen as our inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for our possession, and now, since the barriers have been removed, will we not go in and take the inheritance and enjoy the possession? Therefore we recommend:

1. That at least one mission day service in the interest of missions, be held by each of the churches in this Conference.

2. That each church of this Conference be required to raise not less than ten cents per month for aid to foreign work.

3. That the sisters of each church of this Conference be requested to organize a Church Aid or Mission Society.

4. That we heartily endorse and recommend the *Christian Missionary* as worthy of our support. Price, 50c. per year.

5. That we earnestly pray God to give us more missionaries for the foreign field.

Respectfully,

P. T. KLAPP,
T. B. DAWSON.

The following Committee on Apportionments was appointed: J. W. Patton, S. A. Holleman, H. V. Simpson.

Upon recommendation of a special committee Apple's Chapel was chosen as the place for the next annual session of Conference.

The following was adopted:

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The last session of Conference directed the Secretary to prepare a revised Church Letter, and submit it to the Executive Committee, and he did so, but concluded not to have any new ones printed this year; and we have used those we had, and we recommend that the blanks as prepared by the Secretary be ordered published.

Also, we were requested to correspond with Rev. H. C Fulton, to know the reason why he did not report in person or by letter to the Conference. His answer was in keeping with his letter to the Conference this session.

J. W. WELLONS,
P. T. KLAPP.

The following, offered by H. V. Simpson, was adopted:

Resolved, That the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference memorialize the Southern Christian Convention, and ask that it revise blank forms for Church Letters and Ministerial Reports to Conference.

The following Committee on Finance was appointed: G. D. Cobb, W. L. Taylor, J. D. Simpson.

Conference adjourned. Benediction by J. W. Wellons.

THIRD DAY.

NOVEMBER 23, 1899.

Conference called to order by the President. Religious exercises by Rev. C. C. Peel.

Proceedings of previous day read and approved.

The report of the Treasurer was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The following report of a special committee was adopted:

We, your committee appointed to nominate representatives to the Southern Christian Convention, which meets at Franklin, Va., in May next, beg leave to submit the following:

Elders—W. S. Long, P. T. Klapp, J. W. Holt, J. W. Wellons.

Alternates—J. O. Atkinson, J. W. Patton, T. W Strowd, W. T Hern don.

Laymen—Dr. G. W. Watson, J. W. Carlton, V. O. Roberson, C. M. Pritchett.

Alternates—Peter Michael, W. J. Fitch, J. T. Cobb, Ezekiel Hines.

Respectfully submitted,

A. F. ISLEY,
G. D. COBB,
G. W. TICKLE.

The following report on Religious Literature was adopted:

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We, your Committee on Religious Literature, recognize the fact that our people are becoming more intelligent church members because of the wider dissemination of our literature, but we feel that there is a great deal to be done. Many of our homes are entirely without such books and periodicals as represeut our Church and its enterprises—even without their Church paper. Therefore we recommend:

1. The endorsement of the CHRISTIAN SUN, our official organ, the *Herald of Gospel Liberty* and the *Christian Missionary*, and those books that represent our principles and enterprises.
2. That all our Sunday schools use our own literature.
3. That our ministers and laymen make a special effort to place the CHRISTIAN SUN in every home in the Church.

W. S. LONG,
J. W. WELLONS,
L. E. CARLTON.

The following was adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Committee on Sunday Schools beg leave to report: A strong Sunday School will grow into a strong church. We see by reference to the reports of the Sunday School to the Sunday Schools Convention that all the schools, except two, use our own literature. We believe that the Sunday School is one of the most important factors in the Church.

We recommend much care in the selection of officers and teachers.

We recommend a more thorough study of the Bible in connection with the Quarterlies.

We recommend more attention be given to music.

THOS. W. STROWD,
H. V. SIMPSON,
J. S. CARDEN.

Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., was invited to a seat in Conference as President of the Southern Christian Convention and President of the College.

A membership in the Christian Missionary Association was raised on the floor of Conference, and Rev. J. W. Wellons was elected to represent the same in the Association.

The report on Education was read, and pending its discussion the special order for preaching arrived, and Rev. A. D. Woodworth delivered an address on China.

A collection was raised, resulting in the collection of $4 87.

Conference adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order by the President.

The report on Education was taken up, and after further discussion adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

The importance of careful and thorough mental and moral training is unquestioned; yet there is indifference shown these things that we consider inexcusable. Parents, in many instances, allow their children to grow up in ignorance, and many young men and women fail to embrace the opportunities offered them by the schools and colleges open to all

Proper education gives strength, power, usefulness; and creates more manhood, more womanhood. The converse of this is true, also; and weakness, inefficiency, and a want of real capacity for important service is always found where the person is ignorant.

We mention with much pleasure the flattering prospects of Elon College, and commend the work it is doing for our people and the public. The Institution was born in this Conference, and it has the highest claim upon our support and fostering care. Our patronage and most generous offerings should be most freely made. No other department of our work promises such ample returns.

Bro. F. C. Goss was examined relative to his call to the ministry. We recommend that he be admitted to the Biblical class. Bro. Alfred Apple is also recommended to membership in the same class.

We recommend that $70 be loaned W. T. Walters, a member of the Biblical class, and now a student in Elon College, provided he remains in college for the balance of the year. We also recommend that $30 be loaned Bro. Eddie French for similar reasons, and under like conditions.

Bro. J. S. Carden has violated his functions as a licentiate in administering the ordinance of baptism. He has expressed regret, and we have admonished him, and warned him not to repeat the offense. We recommend that no further action be taken in this matter.

Bros. J. S. Carden and G. W. Tickle came before us, recommended by the churches they served last year for ordination. After a careful examination of these brethren we consider it best to defer their ordination for awhile.

In the case of Bro. J. W. Fonville, a licentiate of this body, who for several years has not been preaching, and who informs us that he cannot on account of sickness at his home, we deem it best to ask him to return his credentials until he may see the way open to enter the work.

We note with great satisfaction that the several calls made by this Conference on the churches have in many instances met a most cordial and loyal support, but we deplore the fact that some of the members of this body—churches and preachers—have failed to respond to these calls. We therefore recommend that the claims of the College especially be presented to all our people, and that they be urged to meet the apportionments in full, and in any case of failure the church and pastor be required to state the cause of the failure.

We recommend also that the collections for ministerial education and superannuated ministers be urged upon the serious attention of our people.

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.

Notes on hand	$ 253 00
Collected past year	60 16
Cash brought over	185 10
Total amounts	$ 498 26

W. S. LONG,
J. W. WELLONS,
J. O. ATKINSON.

On motion, the Secretary was ordered to draw an order on the Treasurer of Conference in favor of J. A. Mills, Treasurer of the Southern Christian Convention, for the amount in his hands for schools and colleges. Amount, $200.

Conference adjourned. Prayer by Eddie French.

FOURTH DAY.

NOVEMBER 24, 1899.

President in the chair. Religious exercises by Rev. W. W. Staley.

Roll called, and minutes of previous day read and approved.

Committee on Apportionments submitted their report, which was adopted, after a few alterations, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

CHURCHES.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Schools and Colleges.	Education.	Church Extension.	Conference Fund.	Superannuated Fund.	Total.
Apples Chapel	$ 12 00	$ 2 00	$ 16 50	$ 6 00	$ 6 00	$ 1 90	$ 3 80	$ 58 20
Bethlehem	34 00	34 00	46 00	17 00	17 00	3 38	6 76	158 14
Bethel	4 00	4 00	5 50	2 00	2 00	61	1 22	19 33
Bellews Creek	4 50	4 50	6 00	2 00	2 00	56	1 12	20 68
Big Falls	2 00	2 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	19	38	9 57
Concord	5 00	5 00	7 00	2 50	2 50	58	1 16	23 74
Durham	10 00	10 00	14 00	5 00	5 00	1 01	2 02	47 03
Elon College	7 00	7 00	9 50	3 50	3 50	56	1 12	32 18
Goshen Chapel	3 50	3 50	5 00	2 00	2 00	43	86	17 29
Hines Chapel	10 00	10 00	14 50	5 50	5 50	1 50	3 00	50 00
Haw River	3 50	3 50	5 00	2 00	2 00	32	64	16 96
Happy Home	5 00	5 00	7 00	2 50	2 50	84	1 68	24 52
Hebron	12 00	12 00	16 00	6 00	6 00	1 32	2 64	55 96
Howards Chapel	5 00	5 00	7 00	2 50	2 50	44	88	23 32
Ingram	8 00	8 00	11 00	4 00	4 00	78	1 56	37 24
Kallam Grove	3 00	3 00	4 00	1 50	1 50	34	68	14 02
Lebanon	12 00	12 00	16 00	6 00	6 00	1 20	2 40	55 60
Longs Chapel	11 00	11 00	15 00	5 50	5 50	1 02	2 04	51 06
Mt. Bethel	6 50	6 50	9 00	3 50	3 50	73	1 46	31 19

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS—CONTINUED.

CHURCHES.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Schools and Colleges.	Education.	Church Extension.	Conference Fund.	Superannuated Fund.	Total.
Mt. Zion	4 00	4 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	38	76	18 14
New Lebanon	3 00	3 00	4 00	1 50	1 50	44	88	14 32
Pleasant Grove	16 00	16 00	21 00	8 00	8 00	2 09	4 18	75 27
Pleasant Ridge	5 00	5 00	7 00	2 50	2 50	57	1 14	23 71
Salem Chapel	7 00	7 00	9 50	3 50	3 50	1 15	2 30	33 95
Sage Garden	2 00	2 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	27	54	9 81
South Boston	2 00	2 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	17	34	9 51
Shallow Ford	7 00	7 00	9 50	3 50	3 50	74	1 48	32 72
Union, N. C.	25 00	25 00	34 00	12 50	12 50	2 53	5 06	116 59
Union, Va	12 00	12 00	16 00	6 00	6 00	1 33	2 66	55 99
Total	$ 248 50	$ 248 50	$ 338 00	$ 124 50	$ 124 50	$ 27 75	$ 55 50	$ 1,167 25

We further recommend that all churches paying assessments in full, be styled Banner Churches, and so published in our Minutes.

J. W. PATTON,
S. A. HOLLEMAN,
H. V. SIMPSON.

The following was adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

As the influence of the Church grows year by year more powerful, so does the great enemy to moral reform seek more subtle ways to entrap and seduce the human family. He offers very plausible compromises, which being accepted, lead his victim, even sometimes the Church, to ruin by an almost imperceptible gradation.

The duty of the church is to pronounce itself decidedly upon questions of moral reform, and gently but firmly draw men to purer conduct, and hold them there, rather than to spurn them for being victims of vice and immorality.

Among the most common snares laid by Satan may be mentioned:

1. The drink habit, which is sapping the moral life of society. The Church should strive to impress the fatality of the first drink, or the wine parties so frequent in social gatherings. No pastor can be faithful to his charge who seeks not to suppress these things among his flock.

2. The carelesss violation of the Sabbath in so many ways needs to be watched by the Church.

3. The laxity of the marriage bond as shown by the divorce courts is a menace to the sanctity of the home, which is the corner-stone of the Church. This should be condemed by the Church

4. The youths of our homes are furnished with many seductive things that have their excuses, even among church members, and yet silently but surely lead to the Devil's camp; among which we name the cigarette, the card table (in the parlor often), ball-rooms, lewd conversations, indecent pictures, slang language (which induces swearing), and many such things, which the Church should condemn as incipient and undermining the moral powers of those who indulge.

Finally, there are many other phases of immorality not to be named, all of which should be boldly faced by the Church, and the evil driven out, while the evil doer should be drawn in, where the grace of God will be thrown about him to protect him from the subtle wiles of the Devil.

S. A. HOLLEMAN,
T. W. STROWD,
J. W. HOLT.

Special order for preaching arrived and Rev. W. W. Staley preached from Gen. xiv: 18.

The following was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That we record by a rising vote our high appreciation of the very hospitable manner in which we have been entertained by the pastor, members of the church, of the sister churches and the community, during the session, and that we cherish and carry with us to our homes many pleasant recollections of our stay and association with them.

H. V. SIMPSON.

The following was adopted:

Resolved, That $8.00 be paid quarterly to Rev. Sol. Apple from the Superannuated Fund, first payment to be paid December 1, 1899.

S. A. HOLLEMAN.

Final report of the Committee on Home Missions was submitted and adopted, as follows:

We recommend an appropriation of fifty dollars from the Church Extension Fund to Big Falls, to be paid so soon as the members and friends of said church shall have rebuilt and paid for their house of worship to the point of completion reached in the house that was destroyed by the storm last June.

We also nominate Rev. L. I. Cox as our missionary, to work in the city of Greensboro, N. C.

J. W. HOLT,
S. A. HOLLEMAN,
H. V. SIMPSON.

Special committee to receive subscriptions to the CHRISTIAN ANNUAL reported $33 collected, and on motion, the Secretary was instructed to draw an order on the Treasurer for $7.00, the balance required to publish the ANNUAL, amount to be taken from the Conference fund.

The President announced the following standing committees:

Executive Committee—Revs. J. W. Wellons, W. S. Long and P. T. Klapp.

Home Missions—Rev. J. W. Holt, Prof. S. A. Holleman and H. V. Simpson.

Foreign Missions—Revs. P. T. Klapp, W. T. Herndon and A. F. Isley.

Religious Literature—Revs. W. T. Herndon, J. W. Patton and W. S. Long.

Education—Revs. W. S. Long, J. W. Wellons and P. T. Klapp.

Sunday Schools—Revs. T. W. Strowd, T. B. Dawson and G. D. Cobb.

Moral Reform—Revs. J. W. Patton, J. W. Holt and T. W. Stroud.

Apportionment—Prof. S. A. Holleman, Revs. P. T. Klapp and J. W. Patton.

On motion, the name of Rev. J. O. Atkinson was added to the Committee on Education, and to the Executive Committee.

On motion, Rev. J. O. Atkinson was instructed to draw and pay out the appropriations made by this Conference from the Education Fund.

Report of the Committee on Finance was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to submit the following report: We have examined the Treasurer's report, and find it correct.

Respectfully submitted,

G. D. COBB,
W. L. TAYLOR,
J. D. SIMPSON.

Fraternal Messengers were appointed to other Conferences, as follows: To the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, J. W. Wellons; to the Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference, T. W. Strowd; to the Western North Carolina Christian Cenference, J. W. Holt; to the Virginia Valley Christian Conference, W. T. Herndon; to the Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference, J. W. Patton.

On motion, the Secretary was allowed fifteen dollars for his services.

A motion that all orders for funds of this Conference be drawn at once except those provided for by the reports was adopted.

Treasurer's report, as audited by the Committee on Finance, is as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

HOME MISSIONS.

1898.			
Nov. 24	To cash	$ 249 76	
	To cash	3 00	
			$ 252 76
	By order Rev. J. W. Holt	$ 10 00	
	By order Rev. J. W. Holt	50 00	
1899.			
Feb. 22	By order Rev. L. I. Cox	2 50	
March 2	By order Rev. J. W. Wellons	22 50	
25	By order Rev. J. S. Carden	3 75	
June 6	By order Rev. L. I. Cox	2 50	
	By order Rev. J. W. Wellons	22 50	
	By order Rev. J. S. Carden	3 75	
	By order Rev. W. G. Clements	25 00	
Aug. 4	By order Rev. J. S. Carden	3 75	
25	By order Rev. L. I. Cox	2 50	
	By order Rev. J. W. Wellons	22 50	
	By order Rev. W. G. Clements	12 50	
Nov. 22	By order Rev. L. I. Cox	2 50	
	By order Rev. J. W. Wellons	22 50	
	By order Rev. J. S. Carden	3 75	
	By Commissions, 1½ per cent.	3 79	
	By order Rev. W. G. Clements	12 50	
			228 79
23	To cash on hand		$ 23 97
	To cash received		186 75
			$ 210 72

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

1898.			
Nov. 24	To cash	$ 198 61	
	To cash received South Boston	1 50	
Dec. 17	To cash received Sage Garden	90	
			$ 201 01
Nov. 24	By order J. A. Mills	$ 195 63	
1899.			
Nov. 21	By Commission, 1½ per cent.	3 02	
			198 65
23	To cash on hand		$ 2 36
	To cash received		176 07
			$ 178 43

CHURCH EXTENSION.

1898.			
Nov. 24	To cash	$ 74 17	
	To cash received after report	2 00	
			$ 76 17
Dec. 22	By order New Lebanon	$ 20 00	
1899.			
June 6	By order Haw River	10 00	
Nov. 21	By Commission, 1½ per cent.	1 14	
			31 14
23	To cash on hand		$ 45 03
	To cash received		77 68
			$ 122 71

EDUCATION.

1898.			
Nov. 24	To cash	$ 207 62	
	To cash	60	
			$ 208 22
1899.			
June 6	By order Rev. J O. Atkinson (W. T. Walters	$ 20 00	
Nov. 22	By Commission, 1½ per cent	3 12	
			23 12
23	To cash on hand		$ 185 10
	To cash received		60 16
			$ 245 26

CONFERENCE FUND.

1898.			
Nov. 24	To cash	$ 32 65	
	To cash	15	
	By order Rev. J. W. Holt		$ 15 00
Dec. 3	By order Prof. E. L. Moffitt		11 40
1899.			
Jan.	To cash for Annuals—T. W. Strowd	50	
Nov. 20	To cash for Annuals—J. W. Holt	1 30	
21	By commission, 1½ per cent		54
	To cash for Annuals—P. T. Klapp	1 60	
23	By cash to balance		9 26
		$ 36 20	$ 36 20
	To cash on hand	$ 9 26	
	To cash received	25 61	
		$ 34 87	

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES.

1899. Nov. 23	To cash received	$ 197 56	

SUPERANNUATED FUND.

1898. Nov. 24	To cash on Land		$ 40 30
	By order Rev. Sol. Apple	$ 10 00	
1899. Mar. 17	By order Rev. Sol. Apple	10 00	
May 20	By order Rev. Sol. Apple	10 00	
Aug. 4	By order Rev. Sol. Apple	10 00	
Nov. 21	By Commission, 1½ per cent., Treasurer	30	
			40 30
23	To cash received		$ 34 31

NOTES.

1898. Nov. 24	To Note Rev. W. C. Wicker	$ 50 00	
	To Note Rev. W. D. Harward	50 00	
	To Note G. C. Wadford	25 00	
	To Note Henry Casady	30 00	
	To Note Rev. J. S. Carden	40 00	
	To Note Rev. J. S. Carden	10 00	
	To Note W. T. Walters	28 00	
1899. June 7	To Note W. T. Walters	20 00	
			$ 253 00

I have written to the brothers named in the report of the Finance Committee last year, but have not collected any money from any of them.

THOS. W. STROWD.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS IN BRIEF.

Sol. Apple—Superannuated.

J. O. Atkinson—Sermons 60; teaching in Elon College.

T. B. Dawson—No charge; preaching occasionally.

H. C. Fulton—No charge, selling books, etc.

W. T. Herndon—Missionary for Christian Missionary Association.

J. W. Holt—Served Lebanon, Long's Chapel, Hines' Chapel and Union, Va.; sermons, 86.

A. F. Isley—Served Apple's Chapel; sermons, 33.

P. T. Klapp—Served Bethlehem, Mt. Bethel and Damascus; sermons, 96; members received, 75.

J. W. Pinnix—Served Pleasant Ridge; sermons, 40.

T. W. Strowd—Served Bethel, Concord and Howard's Chapel; sermons, 70; taught school eight months.

J. W. Wellons—Served Durham; sermons, 135.

W. A. Ford—Lecturing on Missions in Ohio and Kentucky.

J. W. Fonville—No charge; license revoked.

J. S. Carden—Served Goshen Chapel; sermons, 46.

G. W. Tickle—Served Providence, East Virginia Conference, sermons, 80.

W. S. Long—Served Liberty, Western North Carolina Conference.

J. W. Patton—Served Pleasant Grove, Ingram, Hebron and South Boston; sermons, 107.

On motion, Conference adjourned to meet with the church at Apple's Chapel, N. C., at 10 A. M., on Tuesday, November 20, 1900.

J. O. ATKINSON, *President.*

JEREMIAH W. HOLT, *Secretary.*

WALTER L. TAYLOR, *Assistant Secretary.*

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	SECRETARIES AND THEIR POST OFFICES.	No. Schools.	No. Classes.	No. Officers and Teach's.	No. Pupils.	Volumes in in Library.	Our Lit'rat'r Yes or No.	Raised by the S. S.
Apples Chapel	D E Michael	W F Andrews, Company Mills	1	3	6	43	----	Yes	$------
Bethlehem	H. C. Simpson	A C Madren, Altamahaw	1	10	17	130	105	Yes	73 00
Bethel	B H Walker	C A Walker, Anderson	2	3	5	25	----	Yes	2 25
Belew's Creek	J W Freeman	A W Preston, Belews Creek	1	5	9	60	----	No	10 00
Big Falls	J C McAdams	W H Jones, Burlington	1	4	6	40	----	No	40 00
Concord	G G Anderson	E L Aldrige, Milesville	1	3	9	33	----	Yes	1 39
Durham	W C Cole	J W Pool, Durham	1	7	12	80	100	Yes	45 00
Elon College	Prof W P Lawrence	D B Marks, Elon College	1	11	10	115	----	Yes	59 15
Goshen Chapel	S L Slaughter	S N Gill, Berea	1	2	4	30	25	Yes	----
Haw River	J W Johnston	A C Smith, Haw River	1	4	8	56	----	Yes	25 00
Happy Home	W H Davis	A L Foster, Nance	1	4	4	74	50	Yes	1 94
Hebron	G G Williamson	A C Yancey, Siddons, Va	1	3	6	36	----	Yes	7 00
Hines Chapel	E F Smith	E W Walker, Brown's Summit	1	4	6	70	----	Yes	6 00
Howard's Chapel	W P Gunn	E S Wright, Malloy	1	4	7	95	----	Yes	10 00
Ingram	Charlie Dunn	R H Adams, Ingram, Va	1	4	6	37	----	Yes	4 95
Kallam Grove	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----
Lebanon	A D Flowers	Jno H McAdam, Semora	1	7	10	83	----	Yes	10 06
Long's Chapel	L W Allen	John Allen, Haw River	1	3	5	40	----	Yes	5 06
Mt. Bethel	D I Cummings	J A Simpsom, Stokesdale	1	4	6	60	----	Yes	12 00
Mt. Zion	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----
New Lebanon	W T Moore	H P Moore, Bason	1	3	5	69	----	Yes	4 72
Pleasant Grove	D S Farmer	C D S Farmer, News Ferry, Va	1	5	8	88	----	No	25 00
Pleasant Ridge	S S Higgins	Minnie Atcheson, Holt	1	4	6	25	----	No	----
Salem Chapel	Sallie P Marshall	Carrie Marshall, Salem Chapel	1	7	9	73	----	Yes	4 25
Sage Garden	W H Manuel	R T Joyce, Kernersville	1	3	7	54	----	No	----
Shallow Ford	G D Cobb	G C Burke, Elon College	1	4	6	60	86	Yes	39 96
Union, N. C.	W J Graham	Walter Kernodle, Union Ridge	1	4	7	35	----	Yes	5 00
Union, Va	W D Gregory	E C A Luck, Virgilina, Va	1	4	6	25	----	No	----
Total			27	119	190	1,506	366	----	$ 391 73

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	SECRETARIES AND THEIR POST OFFICES.	No. Last Report.	Received Since.	Dismissed by Letter	Suspended.	Withdrawn.	Died.	Expelled.	Present Number.
Apples Chapel	A F Iseley	Zach Chrisman, Liberty Store	217	4		22		1		190
Bethlehem	P T Klapp	L D Rippey, Altmahaw	350	27	10		6	4	19	338
Bethel	T W Strowd	L H Walker, Anderson	63				1	1		61
Belew's Creek	L I Cox	V O Roberson, Belew's Creek	48	8						56
Big Falls	L F Johnson	J C McAdams, Burlington	20				1			19
Concord	T W Strowd	G G Anderson, Milesville	55	6			2	1		58
Durham	J W Wellons	T J Hayes, Durham	117	12	2	21	2	1	2	101
Elon College	J U. Newman	Mrs J M Roberts, Elon College	53	7	4					56
Goshen Chapel	J S Carden	S L Slaughter, Berea	38	5						43
Haw River	W G Clements	H V Simpson, Haw River	35				1	2		32
Happy Home	L I Cox	J W Foster, Oregon	54	32	2					84
Hebron	J W Patton	C M Gordon, Averett, Va	138	7		4		4		137
Hines Chapel	J W Holt	W A Heath, Greensboro	187	4				3		188
Howard's Chapel	T W Strowd	W B Madison, Malloy	45	1	1			1		44
Ingram	J W Patton	Myrtle Boyd, Stebbins, Va	73	7			2			78
Kallam Grove	L I Cox	D F Wilson, Bason	33	4	3					34
Lebanon	J W Holt	W L Taylor, Semora	122				2			120
Lexington										
Long's Chapel	J W Holt	W J Fitch, McCray	107		3				2	102
Mt. Bethel	P T Klapp	D I Cummings, Stokesdale	45	30					2	73
Mt. Zion	C H Rowland	Mary Bradley, Carr	38							38
New Lebanon	L I Cox	W H Sharp, Bason	30	14						44
Pleasant Grove	J W Patton	W T Headspeth, News Ferry, Va	213	5	7			2		209
Pleasant Ridge	J W Pinnix	J H Barker, Summerfield	71							71
Salem Chapel	L I Cox	J C Hammock, Walkertown	122	4	4		6		1	115
Lage Garden	J H Wright	John A Holder. Kernsville	28		1					27
Shallow Ford	C H Rowland	W D Walker, Burlington	75	4	2			1	1	74
South Boston	J W Patton									
Union, N C	C C Peel	J D Wilkins, Maywood	255	6	5			3		253
Union Va	J W Holt	Ella Sanford, Virgilina, Va	156	4	5	21		3		133
Total			2,788	191	49	68	23	27	26	2,778

FINANCIAL STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Am't Paid Pastor.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Schools and Colleges	Education Fund.	Church Extension.	Conference Fund.	Superan-uated Fund.	Other Purposes.	Value of Church Property.	Raised by the S. S.
Apples Chapel	$ 50 00	$ 6 73	$ 6 73	$	$	$	$ 1 75	$	$ 20 00	$ 1,200 00	$
Bethlehem	200 00	34 00	34 00	46 00	17 00	17 00	3 50	7 00	65 29	1,500 00	73 00
Bethel	50 00	5 50	5 00		2 37	2 00	63	1 00	15 00	1,000 00	2 25
Belew's Creek	54 50	3 00	3 00	4 00	1 50	1 50	48	96	6 00	475 00	10 00
Big Falls	16 80	2 00	2 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	20	40	32 47	200 00	40 00
Concord	36 00	3 00	3 00	1 44			56	50	11 00	700 00	1 39
Durham	200 00	10 00	10 00	14 00	5 00	5 00	1 15	2 34		2,000 00	45 00
Elon College	50 00	7 00	7 00	9 50	3 50	3 50	53	1 06			59 15
Goshen Chapel	30 04	1 00	1 00				42			300 00	
Haw River	100 00	3 00	3 00	4 00	1 50	1 50	35	70	271 25	2,540 00	25 00
Happy Home	100 00	5 00	5 00	7 00	2 50	2 50	54	1 08	7 00	600 00	1 94
Hebron	125 00	7 40	4 76	11 27	89	50	50	88		800 00	7 00
Hines Chapel	100 00	4 00	4 00			1 64	1 86		21 00	800 00	6 00
Howard's Chapel	70 00	2 50	2 50	2 50	1 00	1 00	50			700 00	10 00
Ingram	87 00	8 00	8 00	11 00	4 00	4 00	73	1 46		1,200 00	4 95
Kallam Grove	59 30	3 00	3 00	4 00	1 50	1 50	33	66	15 00	500 00	
Lebanon	88 75	6 62	6 63				1 37		88 51	2,000 00	10 06
Lexington											
Long's Chapel	88 75	4 50	4 50	6 00		4 60	1 02	1 00	9 00	1,000 00	5 06
Mt. Bethel	84 50	5 00	23 50	7 00	2 50	2 50	45	90		800 00	12 90
Mt. Zion	33 80	50	50	1 00	25	50	36	16	7 00	800 00	
New Lebanon	60 00	3 00	3 00	4 00	1 50	1 50	30	60	510 00	1,000 00	4 72
Pleasant Grove	175 00	10 00	10 00	14 00	5 00	5 00	2 14	2 91	15 00	2,000 00	25 00
Pleasant Ridge		2 00	1 00							400 00	
Salem Chapel	100 50	10 00	3 00	1 85	1 00	3 00	1 15	2 00	53 75	600 00	4 25
Sage Garden	35 00	3 00	2 00							200 00	
Shallow Ford	75 00	7 00	7 00	7 00	2 00	3 40	75	1 50	36 28	1,200 00	39 96
South Boston											
Union, N C	200 00	25 00	10 00	34 00	6 00	9 78	2 55	5 10		500 00	5 00
Union, Va	84 71	5 00	2 95			5 00	1 33	2 50		600 00	

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Christian Missionary Association,

HELD AT

The Christian Church, Holland, Va.

TUESDAY, December 5, 1899.

The Association was called to order by Rev. N. G. Newman, President of last session. Religious exercises by Rev. R. H. Peel.

Roll was called and the following members responded: J. O. Atkinson, $10; Mrs. W. Z. Atkinson, $5; Mrs. J. O. Atkinson, $5; Berea (Nan.), $10; Bearea (Nan.) Sunday School, $20; Berea (Nan.) Ladies' Aid Society, $10; Bethany Church, $10; Burton's Grove, $10; A. M. Eley, $10; Eastern Virginia Conference, $40; T. R. Gaskins, $10; Elon College Sunday School, $10; Mrs. Stella Everett, $10; Eastern North Carolina Conferen.e, $10; Mrs. T. R. Gaskins, $10; E. E. Holland, $10; Rev. J. W. Harrell, $10; W. H. Jones, Jr., $10; Mrs. K. B. Johnson, $5; W. J. Lee, $10; Mrs. W. J. Lee, $5; P. H. Lee, $10; Mrs. P. H. Lee, $5; T. J. Lawrence, $10; Mrs. J. T. Moffitt, $5; Prof. E. L. Moffitt, $10; G. W. Nurney, $10; Norfolk Sunday School, $10; North Carolina and Virginia Conference, $10; Rev. N. G. Newman, $10; Missionary Society, Suffolk, $10; Providence (Norfolk County, Va.), $10; George T. Rawls, $10; C. A. Shoop, $10; Rev. W. W. Staley, $10; Col. A. Savage, $10; Mrs. A. Savage, $5; Suffolk Sunday

School, $10; Rev. T. W. Stroud, $10; Spring Hill, $10; G. W. Truitt, $10; Virginia Valley Conference, $30; Waverly Church, $10; J. E. West, $10; Mrs. J. F. West, $5; C. D. West, $10; Western North Carolina Conference, $10; Rev. J. W. Wellons, $10. Windsor Church, $10; Young People's Bible Class (Norfolk), $30; Young People's Society Christian Endeavor, Suffolk, $10; Missionary Society, Norfolk, $10; R. A. Gay, $10; Isle of Wight Church, $10; M. J. W. White, $10; Mrs. M. J. W. White, $5; Mrs. Sue Jones, $5.

The following new members were enrolled: Durham Sunday School, $10; T. L. Daughtry, $10; Rev. C. C. Peel, $10; Rev. J. U. Newman, $10; Western North Carolina Sunday School Convention, $10; Georgia and Alabama Conference, $10; Rufus King (gift), $5; Otis S. Smith, $10; Emporia Church, $10; Rev. I. W. Johnson, $10; Holy Neck Sunday School, $10; Mrs. F. L. Jones, $5; Miss Ruby Jones, $5; Wade Brinkley and J. W. Lewis, $10; Mrs Jerry Jones, $5; Rev. R. H. Peel, $10; Mrs. R. B. Odom, $5; Bethlehem Sunday School (Va.) $10; Providence Sunday School (Norfolk), $10; Mrs. Sue Holland, $5; Mrs. I. A. Luke, $5; Mrs. Dr. J. B. Holland, $5; J. E. Vincent, $10; Miss Bessie Holland, $5; I. A. Luke, $10; Mrs. A. T. Holland, $5; Raleigh Church, $10; J. E. Vincent (gift), $5; W. J. Lee (gift), $5; J. L. Gay, $10.

ORGANIZATION.

The Association then went into the election of officers, which resulted as follows: President, Prof. J. O. Atkinson; Vice-President, J. E. West; Recording Secretary, Rev. I. W. Johnson; Assistant Secretary, T. J. Lawrence; Treasurer, Capt. T. R. Gaskins.

Address of Welcome by pastor; response by Prof. J. O. Atkinson. Adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order by President. Prayer by Rev. J. W. Harrell.

The President appointed the following Committee on Religious Literature: Prof. E. L. Moffitt, Rev. R. H. Peel and N. G. Newman.

Address, by Rev. J. W. Harrell, "Why the Church should be Missionary."

Address by Rev. R. H. Peel. Subject: "Our Individual Responsibility to the Mission Work."

On motion, the addresses by Revs. J. W. Harrell and R. H. Peel were asked for, for publication in the SUN.

Under Report of Officers of the Association, the President submitted his report, which was adopted, as follows:

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

Only routine work has claimed the attention of the President since last session. Month y reports from the Missionary show work and encouraging results. The work in the Valley of Virginia, inaugurated three years ago, has been successful beyond our expectations, and has attracted atten ion to the Association. An increased interest is manifested on the part of members, and the prospect for aggressive work was never better than now. We have no paid officer to solicit members, but individual members have done faithful work with good results. We earnestly ask all lovers of the Christian Church and believers in Home Missions, and especially the ministry of the Southern Convention, to consider carefully the interests of this Association, and give it their moral and financial support. N. G. NEWMAN, Pres. C. M. A.

Missionary's report was read and adopted, as follows:

MISSIONARY'S REPORT.

Churches organized, 2; members received, 32; sermons preached, 70; confessions, 65: pastoral visits, 118; traveled 3,000 miles; built and dedicated one church, and have two others in course of construction.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.

Have built and dedicated three churches around Harrisonburg; Woodland, estimated value, $1,000, sixteen miles south of Harrisonburg; num-

ber of members, 24; Wood's Chapel, estimated value, $650, 22 miles north of Harrisonburg, membership, 25; Beulah, estimated value, $700, six miles east of Harrisonburg, membership, 13; Mayland, 13 miles north of Harrisonburg, in course of construction, membership, 12; Mt. Olivet, 14 miles east of Harrisonburg, arranging to build, membership, 14; Mission Point, near Taylor Springs, membership, 18; have failed so far to procure title to lot. W. T. HERNDON, *Missionary.*

Report of Mission Secretary read and adopted, as follow:

REPORT OF MISSION SECRETARY.

1. Upon the resignation of Rev. J. O. Atkinson as Mission Secretary last June, the Executive Committee asked me to fill out the unexpired term, which I agreed to do upon condition that I be not expected to go anywhere except where my own business called me—this condition being placed only because of press of work for the CHRISTIAN SUN. I have, however, presented the interests of the Association wherever I have been, and as a result, I have brought in to-day $150, and was instrumental in bringing in one or two other memberships represented here by other parties. I also sent out circular letters to all old members, to a large number who were not members, and to all pastors asking them to secure memberships from their churches, Sunday Schools and Aid Societies. I do not know what the result of the correspondence has been, as I have heard from only one old member by letter. Last August I went with Rev. W. T. Herndon, our missionary, over the field where he is now laboring, and I regard all of the points where he has established churches as promising much for us in the future, provided they receive proper pastoral attention.

2. I would further recommend that an Assistant Mission Secretary be elected for each of our Conferences, in order that the interests of the Association may be kept more prominently before our people.

E. L. MOFFITT, *Mission Secretary.*

The report was taken up by items, and item was referred to the Committee on Plans for the Work.

On motion, it was decided to hold a session to-night, after the sermon.

On motion, adjourned to meet at 7:30 P. M. Benediction by Rev. W. W. Staley.

EVENING SESSION.

Sermon by Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D. Subject: "Growth of Missions."

Revs. A. D. Woodworth, R. H. Holland and B. F. Black were invited to seats as deliberative members.

On motion, the following committees were appointed: 1. Committee on Finance; 2. Committee on Place for Holding Next Session; 3. Committee to Nominate a Mission Secretary; 4. Committee on Plans of Work, whose duty it shall be to nominate a missionary and recommend contract with same; also to recommend plans for raising funds and prosecuting work in the mission territory.

Above committees were appointed as follows: 1. Finance, J. O. Lancaster, M. L. Watkins; 2. Place for Holding Next Session, R. H. Peel, G. T. Rawls, E. L. Moffitt; 3. Nominate Mission Secretary, J. W. Harrell, W. J. Lee, W. T. Herndon; 4. Plans for Work, W. W. Staley, A. Savage, J. W. Wellons, N. G. Newman, E. L. Moffitt.

Treasurer's report was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

T. R. GASKINS. *Treasurer,*

In account with the Christian Missionary Association, from December 9, 1898, to December 5, 1899.

Balance reported at session 1897	$ 231 92	
Collected at the session 1897	542 32	
Collected after session adjourned	60 00	
PAID OUT.		
W. T. Herndon, salary		$ 720 00
W. T. Herndon, traveling expenses		19 00
G. W. Tickle, expenses		75 00
W. J. Laine, stationary		1 70
J. P. Barrett, mission literature		15 00
J. P. Barrett, stationery and printing		14 00
E. L. Moffitt, printing minutes		20 00
Overdraft	30 96	
	$ 865 20	$ 865 20
1898-1899.		
Overdraft from '97-'98		$ 30 96
Collected at session '98	$ 706 96	
Collected after session adjourned	45 00	
Eastern Virginia C. S S. C. for session '99	99 98	
PAID OUT.		
W. T. Herndon, salary		780 00
E. L. Moffitt, printing minutes		18 00
J. P. Barrett, mission literature		5 00
J. P. Barrett, traveling expenses		13 00
N. G. Newman, stationery		3 16
Balance on hand		1 46
	$ 851 94	851 94

Report of Executive Committee was read, and on motion, adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Since last session the following items of business have claimed our attention:

1. On April 3, '99, we refused to grant the request of W. T. Herndon, missionary, that we employ E. T. Isley to assist him at a mission point on the ground that there were no funds available to pay for such service.

2. On June 1, '99, we accepted the resignation of J. O. Atkinson, Mission Secretary.

3. On June 15, '99, we elected E. L. Moffitt Mission Secretary.

4. On July 14, '99, upon the motion of Holland Christian Church, we selected the same as the place for holding the present session.

N. G. NEWMAN,
E. E. HOLLAND,
J. E. WEST.

On motion, it was decided that 12 o'clock M. to-morrow be made a special time for hearing Rev. A. D. Woodworth on Japan.

On motion, adjourned to meet to-morrow at 10 A. M. Benediction by Rev. R. H. Holland.

SECOND DAY.

Called to order at 10:30 A. M. by the President. Religious exercises by Rev. A. D. Woodworth.

Roll called and minutes of yesterday read and approved.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Mission Fields was made a special order for 11:30 to-day.

On motion, it was decided that the special order for 12 o'clock should be given to Prof. E. L. Moffitt, and that Prof. A. D. Woodworth should be given 7:30 P. M. to-night.

The Committee on Missionary Literature read its report, which was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MISSIONARY LITERATURE.

We, your Committee on Missionary Literature, have nothing new to recommend. We wish to urge, however, that our people do more for the dissemination of missionary literature, to the end that we may become more intimately acquainted with the work, and so may be able to do more for it.

Especially do we urge our people to take the *Christian Missionary*, and read the Missionary column in the CHRISTIAN SUN, and for general information, the *Missionary Review of the World.*

E. L. MOFFITT,
N. G. NEWMAN,
R. H. PEEL.

Address by Rev. W. T. Herndon. Subject: "Necessity of Greater Effort by the Association."

On motion, Rev. W. W. Staley took up a collection, amounting to $35.00, to relieve Dr. W. T. Herndon of a debt assumed on Beulah Church, in the Valley of Virginia.

On motion, it was ordered that a warrant be drawn in favor of W. T. Herndon for $40, to pay off the obligation on him for Beulah Church.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Mission Fields was called for, which is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MISSION FIELDS.

Your committee, to whom was given the question of Mission Fields, submit the following:

1. We believe that the work in the Virginia Valley has been sufficiently developed to justify us in giving it up as a mission field, provided we can arrange to supply the churches thus far organized with suitable pastors.

2. We suggest for the consideration of the Association a work at Newport News. It is a growing place with good opportunities, with ample territory adjunct for the establishment of another Conference. If we can put the right man in that field, and give him a support, financially, it is believed that the work can be established, as much can be raised in that city.

3. We recommend as a suitable territory for the establishment of a new Conference, the counties of Greenville, Brunswick, Mecklenburg, Lewenburg, Nottaway and Dinwiddie, with a possible concession of Halifax County in the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, and of Warren County, North Carolina, in the Eastern North Carolina Conference, provided the main territory described is open to us.

J. PRESLEY BARRETT,
F. L. PORTLOCK.

The following amendment to the report was offered:

Moved, as an amendment to section 3 of the report (what is now section 2): That this Association enter Newport News as a missionary field as soon as the recommendation of section 1 is complied with.

The hour for dinner having arrived, the discussion of the report was deferred until the afternoon session.

On motion, adjourned one hour for dinner. Benediction by Rev. W. T. Herndon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The President called the body to order. Prayer by Rev. J. P. Barrett.

Discussion on the amendment resumed. After an animated discussion, the amendment to the report on Mission Fields was adopted.

On motion the Report as a whole was adopted as given above.

Several new members were received at this point of the discussion.

The Committee on Plans offered their report and on motion was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLANS.

We recommend the adoption of item 1 of the report of the Mission Secretary, viz: That Assistant Mission Secretaries be elected in each Conference, and that they be required to report their work in detail to the Mission Secretary in time for him to make a full report to the Association.

We recommend that Dr. W. T. Herndon be returned to the Virginia Valley field till September 1, 1900, at a salary of $500, and that we ask the churches under his care to raise an additional sum of $85, bringing his salary up to the usual amount per month. We recommend that he devote himself chiefly to the churches already organized, with a view to bringing them to a self-supporting basis, and closing up his work in the Valley September 1, 1900.

W. W. STALEY,
A. SAVAGE,
N. G. NEWMAN,
J. W. WELLONS,
E. L. MOFFITT.

Resolved, That the Executive Committee be requested to take up the question of entering Newport News at the earliest moment possible, provided they find it practicable. J. E. WEST.

On motion, adopted.

Finance Committee submitted its report, which on motion, was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg to report as follows:

We have examined the Treasurer's report, and find that he has vouchers corresponding with his report. We have further to report that there has been paid in to the Association at this session, in checks, currency, and one due bill, including a public collection of $35, $905,02. The Secretary was instructed to note the following items:

November, '99, Eastern Virginia C. S. S. C. for '99	$ 99.98
November 23, '99, W. T. Herndon's fee	10.00
Total	$ 109.98
Total receipts for this session, including this item	1,015 00

J. O. LANCASTER,
M. L. WATKINS.

Address by Prof. E. L. Moffitt on "Home Missions as a Financial Investment."

On motion, the address by Prof. Moffitt was asked for for publication in the SUN.

On motion, Association adjourned to meet again to-night.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SESSION.

An address on Japan, by Rev. A. D. Woodworth.

On motion, it was decided to have the addresses of Prof. J. O. Atkinson and Dr. J. P. Barrett, to-morrow, as they were crowded out by special orders to-day.

Adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY MORNING—SECOND DAY.

Religious exercises conducted by Rev. W. T. Herndon. Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

On motion, a Committee on Plans of Work was created and made a standing committee, whose duties it will be to plan for the work of the ensuing year, and for the raising of funds for prosecuting the same.

The editor of the Missionary Column, in the *Christian Sun*, Rev. J. P. Barrett, made the following report, which was adopted:

In compliance with the request of this body, I have furnished the needed matter for the Missionary Column of the CHRISTIAN SUN for its weekly issues, with a few exceptions, when I was overpressed in other directions. J. PRESSLEY BARRETT.

On motion, Rev. J. P. Barrett was re-elected as editor of the Missionary Column in the *Christian Sun*, and an appropriation of $10 was made for the purpose of securing Missionary Literature for his use.

The Association then elected the following Executive Committee, N. G. Newman, J. E. West, E. E. Holland.

A vote of thanks was tendered to Prof. E. L. Moffitt, for his efficient services as Mission Secretary for a part of the past year.

On motion the following account was ordered to be paid:

ACCOUNT MISSION SECRETARY.

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To printing three sets of Circular Letters	$ 2 00
To Envelopes	20
To Postage	95
	$ 3 15

Committee on Nominating Mission Secretary submitted its report, and on motion Rev. N. G. Newman was elected to fill that position for the ensuing year.

The Committee on Place for Holding Next Session made its report, and on motion the matter was referred to the Executive Committee.

On motion it was ordered that the proceedings of this session be published in the Annual at the usual rate.

A collection was then taken for helping to defray the expenses of Prof. A. D. Woodworth.

Address on "History of Home Missions in the Christian Church, by Prof. J. O. Atkinson, of Elon College, N. C.

On motion the Executive Committee was instructed, if deemed necessary, to ask the General Convention, South, to lay off a Conference bounds in the section of Newport News.

On motion adjourned till 1:45 P. M. for dinner.

Benediction by Rev. A. D. Woodworth.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order by President. Prayer by Rev. N. G. Newman.

President appointed the following standing committees for the ensuing year:

Program—ex-officio, J. O. Atkinson, W. P. Lawrence, M. W. Butler.

On Missionary Literature—E. L. Moffitt, T. W. Strowd, J. U. Newman, J. W. Harrell.

On Mission Fields—J. P. Barrett, J. W. Wellons, W. T. Herndon, F. L. Portlock.

On Plans—W. W. Staley, I. W. Johnson, Col. A. Savage, E. L. Moffitt

On motion the following Assistant Mission Secretaries were elected to assist the General Mission Secretary: Western North Carolina Conference, W. P. Lawrence; North Carolina and Virginia Conference, Prof. J. O. Atkinson; Eastern North Carolina Conference, Rev. M. W. Butler; Virginia Valley Conference, Rev. L. L. Lassiter; Georgia and Alabama Conference, Rev. H. W. Elder; Eastern Virginia Conference, J. E. West.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Association express by rising vote, its grateful appreciation of the very kind and hospitable entertainment received from the members and friends of Holland Christian Church.

MRS. T. R. GASKINS.

On motion the address by Prof. J. O. Atkinson, the sermons by Revs. W. W. Staley and J. P. Barrett were asked for publication in the CHRISTIAN SUN.

About twenty members of the Association pledged themselves to make an earnest effort to secure a new member by next session.

On motion the Association adjourned to meet Tuesday after the first Sunday in December, 1900, and at a place to be determined by the Executive Committee.

Benediction by Rev. J. W. Wellons.

J. O. ATKINSON, *President*,
Elon College, N. C.

I. W. JOHNSON, *Secretary*,
Suffolk, Va.

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ELDERS.

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Barrett, J. P., Norfolk; Barrett, J. W., Windsor Station; Butler, H. H., Suffolk; Charnock, Roger, Pleasantville, Pa.; Harrell, J. W , Waverly, Va.; Hurley, M. L., Elon College, N. C.; Holland, R. H., Holland; Johnson, I. W., Suffolk; Kitchen, Jno. T., Windsor; Moore, H. C., Louisa; Newman, N. G., Franklin; Peel, R. H., Waverly; Porter, M. P., Berkley; Staley, W. W., Suffolk.

N. C. AND VA. CONFERENCE.

Apple, Solomon, Semora, N. C.; Atkinson, J. O., Elon College, N. C.; Dawson, T. B., Elon College, N. C.; Ford, W. H., Carysville O.; Fulton, H. C., White Roads, N. C.; Herndon, W. T., Elon College, N. C.; Holt, J. W., Burlington, N. C.; Isely, A. F., Shallow Ford, N. C.; Klapp, P. T.

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EASTERN N. C. CONFERENCE.

Butler, M. W., Raleigh; Clements, W. G., Morrisville; Foster, J. L., Raleigh; Harward, W. D., Morrisville; Klapp, S. B., Youngsville; Mangum, L. W., Benson; Underwood, G. R., Osgood, N. C.; Wicker, J. D., Jonesboro; Winston, M. L., Creedmore; Wicker, W. C., Elon College; Whiteman, J. A., Jonesboro; Barbee, A. P., Jonesboro, N. C.; Pounds, T. A., Clayton, N. C.; Rowland, C. H., Elon College, N. C.; Scholz, H., Lindsay, N. C.

VIRGINIA VALLEY CONFERENCE.

Black, B. F., Suffolk, Va.; Lassiter, L. L., Tenth Legion, Va.

[The Secretary of the Georgia and Alabama Conference did not send a "Ministerial Directory," hence there may be mistakes in this, which we have made up from last year's list, together with the Minutes of this year.—EDITOR.]

GA. AND ALA. CONFERENCE.

Smith, Juiblee, Richland, Ga.; Neese, J. L., Buckeye,

Ala.; Elder, J. D., Milltown, Ala.; Elder, T. H., Milltown, Ala.; Hunt, G. D., Emuckfaw Ala.; Hughes, J. H., Milltown Ala.; Dollar, C. M., Ala; Knight, W. R. Peavy, Ala.; Elder, J. W. Opelika, Ala.; Elder, H. W., Phœnix City, Ala.; Orr, J. B., Mt. Calm, Texas; Hurst, G. M. and Hurst, W. G. Red-Ala.; Malone, C. G. Malone, Ala.; Fletcher, W. A., Jirard, Ala.; Horn, D. G., Jirard, Ala.; Leslie, Robt., Gold Hill, Ala.; Edmondson, T. J.; Garrison, J. D., Tohopeka, Ala.; Young, B. F., West Point, Ga.; Davis, W. D., Daviston, Ala.; Lett, M. F., Clanton, Ala.; Swann, C. W., Buckeye, Ala.

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EASTERN VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

Barrett, D. P., Windsor, Va.

WESTERN N. C. CONFERENCE.

Baldwin, M A., Cedar Falls; Hayes, W. N., Erect; Kerns, B. F., Moffitts; Julian, W. R., Randleman; White, T. E., Rosewood.

N. C. AND VA. CONFERENCE.

Carden, J. S., Caldwell Institute; Tickle, G. W., Leaksville, Va.

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